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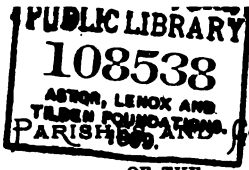


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LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES.

Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Barter Springs.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth City.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Troy.</i>
St. Luke's Church.....	<i>Wamego.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandotte.</i>

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT YET IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	<i>Ellsworth.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
Gloria Dei Church.....	<i>Perryville.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Garnett.</i>
St. Thomas Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
St. Matthew's Church.....	<i>Blue Rapids.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	<i>Ft. Leavenworth.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Riley.</i>

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the diocese of Kansas will be holden at
Trinity Church, Lawrence, on Wednesday, May 8th, 1872.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

CANONICALLY RESIDENT AND ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE
CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., Bishop of the diocese, residing at Lawrence.

The Rev. John Bakewell, rector of Trinity church, Atchison.

The Rev. Archibald Beatty, rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.

The Rev. Daniel W. Cox, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.

The Rev. John K. Dunn, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.

The Rev. Charles E. D. Griffith, rector of Christ church, Eureka, and missionary.

The Rev. Kinney Hall, deacon, assistant minister to the rector of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth city.

The Rev. George D. Henderson, chaplain United States navy, Brooklyn, New York.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox, assistant minister in the Church of the Covenant, Junction City, (P. O., Leroy, Coffey county.)

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington, and St. Andrew's church, Emporia.

The Rev. John Mills Kendrick, rector of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth city.

The Rev. D. Otis Kellogg, jr., professor in the State University at Lawrence.

The Rev. James Henry Lee, professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, and missionary at Salina and Wamego.

The Rev. John Newton Lee, principal of the Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka, and missionary in Shawnee county.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash, rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.

The Rev. Joseph W. Norwood, deacon, missionary for Douglas and Jefferson counties, (P. O. Lawrence.)

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., post chaplain United States ~~army~~ ^{navy}, Fort Riley.

The Rev. Thompson L. Smith, rector of St. Mark's church, Baxter Springs, and missionary in S. E. Kansas, (P. O., Baxter Springs.)

The Rev. Charles Stewart, Topeka.

The Rev. George Turner, missionary in the Northern counties (P. O., Hiawatha, Brown county).

The Rev. William Vaux, post chaplain in the United States army, at Fort Harker.

The Rev. James A. Woodward, missionary at Olathe, Paola and Ottawa.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- Allen County*—Emmanuel mission, Humboldt.
Anderson County—Mission, Garnett.
Atchison County—Trinity church, Atchison, Rev. J. Bakewell, rector; Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Bourbon County—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, Rev. A. Beatty, rector.
Brown County—Calvary mission, Hiawatha, ———, miss'y.
Cherokee County—St. Mark's mission, Baxter Springs, Rev. T. L. Smith, miss'y; mission at Columbus.
Cloud County—Clyde, ———, miss'y.
Coffey County—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. L. L. Holden, rector.
Crawford County—St. John's mission, Girard, Rev. T. L. Smith, miss'y.
Davis County—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. C. Reynolds, rector; Rev. W. H. Hickcox, assistant minister.
Doniphan County—Trinity church, Troy, mission at Wathena, ———, miss'y; mission at White Cloud.
Douglas County—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. John K. Dunn, rector.
Ellsworth County—Mission of Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, Rev. W. Vaux, U. S. A., officiating.
Franklin County—Mission, Ottawa, Rev. J. A. Woodward, miss'y.
Greenwood County—Christ mission, Eureka, Rev. C. E. D. Griffith, miss'y.
Jackson County—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Jefferson County—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, Grasshopper Falls and Gloria Dei mission, Perryville, Rev. J. W. Norwood, miss'y.
Johnson County—Olathe, Rev. J. A. Woodward, miss'y.
Labette County—Oswego and Chetopa, ———, miss'y.
Leavenworth County—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth city, and St. John's chapel, South Leavenworth, Rev. J. M. Kendrick, rector, Rev. K. Hall, assistant minister; Mission, Reno, Rev. J. K. Dunn, miss'y.
Lyon County—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, Rev. L. L. Holden, rector.
Miami County—Paola, Rev. J. A. Woodward, miss'y.
Marshall County—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Nemaha County—Wetmore, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Neosho County—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, ———, miss'y.
Pottawatomie County—St. Luke's mission, Wamego, Rev. J. H. Lee, miss'y.
Riley County—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector; Fort Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, chaplain U. S. A.
Saline County—Christ church, Salina, Rev. J. H. Lee, miss'y.
Sedgwick County—Wichita, ———, miss'y.
Shawnee County—Grace church, Topeka, ———, rector; Emmanuel mission, Monmouth; Missions at Auburn and Mission Creek, Rev. J. N. Lee, miss'y.
Wyandotte County—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, Rev. R. S. Nash, rector.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, FORT SCOTT, KANSAS.
WEDNESDAY, May 10, 1871.

This being the time and place for holding the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy of the diocese and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in the church at half-past ten o'clock. a. m., for the celebration of Divine worship.

The Rev. L. L. Holden read the Morning Prayer to the end of the Psalter; the Lessons were read by the Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., and the Rev. F. R. Haff read from the Creed.

The Bishop read the Ante-Communion Service; the Rev. J. N. Lee reading the Epistle, and the Rev. J. M. Kendrick the Gospel.

The Rev. W. H. Hickcox preached from Colossians, 1:28.

After the sermon, the Holy Communion was administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Revs. J. N. Lee and J. M. Kendrick.

The religious services being concluded, the Bishop took the chair, and called the Convention to order. The secretary of the last Convention, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically resident in the diocese, and of those entitled to seats in the Convention, when those present answered to their names.

The parishes were then called in order, and the certificates of lay delegates were laid upon the secretary's table, when they were referred to the following Committee on Qualifications, viz: The Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., Hon. Wm. H. Canfield and J. H. Prescott, Esq.

The Convention took a recess till 3 o'clock, p. m.

WEDNESDAY, May 10, 1871, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications made the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that the following list of clergy is correct, and that each person named is entitled to a seat and a vote in this Convention:

CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS H. VAIL, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese.*

The Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, rector of Trinity church, Atchison.*

The Rev. ARCHIBALD BEATTY, rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.*

The Rev. DANIEL W. COX, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.

The Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.*

The Rev. CHARLES E. D. GRIFFITH, missionary and rector of Christ church, Eureka.*

The Rev. KINNEY HALL, deacon, assistant minister to the rector of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.*

The Rev. WILLIAM H. HICKCOX, assistant minister in the Church of the Covenant, Junction City.*

The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, rector of St. Andrew's church, Emporia, and Church of the Ascension, Burlington.*

The Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, rector of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.*

The Rev. D. OTIS KELLOGG, jr., professor in the State University at Lawrence.

The Rev. JAMES H. LEE, professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan.*

The Rev. JOHN N. LEE, principal of the Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka, and missionary in Shawnee County.*

The Rev. RODNEY S. NASH, rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.*

The Rev. JOSEPH W. NORWOOD, deacon and missionary, Lawrence.

The Rev. CHARLES REYNOLDS, D.D., post chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Riley, and minister in charge of the Church of the Covenant, Junction City.*

The Rev. CHARLES STEWART, Topeka.

The Rev. GEORGE TURNER, missionary in the northern counties.

These are, also, actually but not canonically resident:

The Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, missionary at Baxter Springs and Girard.

The Rev. JAMES A. WOODWARD, missionary at Olathe and Paola.

LAY DELEGATES.

The following parishes are entitled to lay representation, and the names of the duly elected delegates are annexed:

Trinity Church, Atchison—A. G. OTIS, D. P. BLISH, JOHN C. BIRD.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City—W. H. CANFIELD,* J. R. MCCLURE, G. B. DUY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia—W. W. WILLIAMS,* E. P. BANCROFT.

Christ Church, Salina—J. H. PRESCOTT,* GEO. C. PROBERT.

Grace Church, Topeka—GEO. GEIGER,* S. S. PROUTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence—SAMUEL REYNOLDS, J. C. HORTON,* W. C. RANSOM.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott—G. R. BALDWIN,* JOHN A. CLARK,* CHARLES H. SCHILLING.*

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth—L. G. HOPKINS, T. A. DUDGEON, JOHN J. EDICK.*

CHAS. REYNOLDS,
WM. H. CANFIELD,
J. H. PRESCOTT,

Committee on Qualifications.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the secretary called the roll.

The election of secretary being next in order, the Rev. John K. Dunn was re-elected.

The rules of order having been suspended to admit the motion, it was

NOTE.—Of the persons named in the report as entitled to seats in the Convention, those who appeared and took seats are marked (*).

Resolved, That visiting clergy from other dioceses; clergy engaged in missionary work in this diocese, although not canonically resident, and candidates for orders, be invited to seats in this Convention.

Whereupon the Rev. F. R. Haff, rector of St. Paul's church, Kansas City, in the diocese of Missouri; the Rev. P. A. Johnson of Nevada, in the same diocese, and the Rev. Thompson L. Smith, missionary at St. Mark's mission, Baxter Springs and St. John's mission, Girard, in this diocese, availed themselves of the invitation.

The rules of order having been suspended for the purpose, on motion, the following preambles and resolutions were adopted.

Whereas it is very desirable for the church in this diocese to be fully represented in the next General Convention; and

Whereas it is a heavy burden upon our poorly paid clergy, to defray their own expenses; therefore,

Resolved, That a collection be taken up in every parish in the diocese, on some Sunday in July next, for the purpose of defraying the personal expenses of the clerical delegates.

Resolved, That the amounts contributed for this object be sent to the Bishop, on or before the 1st of August next, and that he be authorized to divide the same among the delegates, as soon thereafter as convenient.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees, viz:

On Admission of New Parishes—Rev. Messrs. John Bakewell, J. N. Lee, C. E. D. Griffith, and Messrs. Chas. H. Schilling and G. R. Baldwin.

On Constitution and Canons—Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., Rev. Messrs. J. Bakewell and J. H. Lee and Hon. Wm. H. Canfield and J. H. Prescott, Esq.

On Diocesan Institutions—Rev. Messrs. J. M. Kendrick, J. N. Lee, A. Beatty and Messrs. George Geiger and John J. Edick.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. L. L. Holden and Messrs. W. W. Williams and W. H. Warner.

On Finance—Rev. J. N. Lee and Messrs. John A. Clark and J. C. Horton.

The rules of order having been suspended to admit the motions; a change proposed by the Rev. J. M. Kendrick in Article 2 of the constitution, of annual to biennial Conventions, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, as was also a change in Canon IV, in regard to vestry meetings, proposed by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds:

The Rev. J. M. Kendrick, registrar, presented his report as follows:

The following documents, relative to the history of the church in this diocese, have been procured during the year:

- No. 20. Package of forty copies of the Journal of the Eleventh Annual Convention of the diocese, received from the secretary of the Convention.
- No. 21. Package of printed documents, relative to the Diocesan Female Seminary, received from the Rev. J. N. Lee, and said by him to contain every thing that has been published in connection with that institution.
- No. 22. Journal of the First Annual Convention of the diocese of Kansas received from the Rev. J. N. Lee, (the only copy of this Journal in possession of the registrar.)
- No. 23. Journal of the Second Annual Convention of the diocese of Kansas, received from the Rev. J. N. Lee, (making two copies of this Journal in the possession of the registrar.)
- No. 24. Package of seven numbers of the *Missionary Churchman*, published during the year 1870, at Fort Scott.
- No. 25. Package of nine numbers of the *Parish Churchman*, published during the years 1870 and 1871, at Leavenworth.

The registrar also reports that, under a resolution of the last Convention, he has preserved copies of all documents pertaining to the history of the church in the United States, so far as they have come into his possession.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. KENDRICK, *Registrar*.

Diocese of Kansas, May 10, 1871.

The special Committee on changes proposed by the General Convention in the constitution of the church, then reported, and, on motion, their report was recom-

mitted to the committee, with instructions to report on the advisability of approving said proposed changes.

The special Committee in regard to the admission of certain new parishes appointed by the last Convention, (see Journal of 1870, p. 10,) reported that the parish of St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, having complied with the necessary conditions, was *ipso facto* admitted into union with this Convention, but that the parishes of Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, and Gloria Dei, Perryville, having failed to make such compliance, were not so admitted.

The Committee on New Parishes presented the following report and the parishes therein named were admitted into union with this Convention:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes respectfully report that they have examined applications and certificates from the following newly organized parishes:

St. John's Church, Girard.

St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.

St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.

That they find the applications and certificates of St. John's church, Girard, and St. Mark's church, Baxter Springs, to be correct in form, and in compliance with the constitution of this diocese; that as to the Church of St. Peter, Osage Mission, although no certificate has been presented, as required by Article XII of the constitution of this diocese, the original papers, covering each requirement of that article, have been laid before the committee and they therefore recommend the admission of said parishes to representation in this Convention.

JOHN BAKEWELL, *Chairman.*

J. N. LEE,

C. E. D. GRIFFITH,

CHAS. H. SCHILLING,

G. R. BALDWIN,

Committee on New Parishes.

The certificates of their lay delegates were presented and referred to the Committee on Qualifications, who reported the names of the following persons as duly qualified delegates from their respective parishes, viz.: Wm.

H. Warner and C. Dana Sayers, from St. John's church, Girard, and Samuel S. Warner and Geo. E. Cook, from St. Peter's church, Osage Mission, whereupon, the roll of said delegates having been called by the Secretary, they answered to their names.

The Standing Committee reported as follows :

The Standing Committee present the following report for the conventional year :

The Committee was duly organized on Thursday, the 12th of May, A.D. 1870, by the choice of the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D.D., as President, and Rev. John K. Dunn as Secretary. The Committee have had seven meetings. They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Rev. Wm. Pinckney, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of the diocese of Maryland, and the Rev. Wm. W. Niles, Bishop elect of the diocese of New Hampshire. They have signed the canonical testimonials of Mr. Kinney Hall and Mr. Joseph W. Norwood, recommending them to be admitted to the order of Deacons. They have recommended the following persons to the Bishop to be admitted as candidates for Deacon's orders, viz.: Mr. Abraham H. Bates, Mr. Andrew C. Duncan, and Mr. John Rice Hilton. They have taken action in conjunction with the Bishop, in reference to certain questions of discipline which came before them. They have approved certain bills in favor of the Bishop and Registrar for expenses incurred in behalf of the diocese.

For the Committee,

CHAS. REYNOLDS, *President.*

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

The Bishop reported for the Executive Missionary Committee.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported, that the only unfinished business was that of the Committee on Parish and Sunday Schools, and of the Committee on Church Extension ; whereupon, on motion, the Committee on Parish and Sunday Schools was discharged, and the Committee on Church Extension was allowed further time to report.

The Bishop's Address being in order, was, by general consent, made the special order for the evening session.

The Parochial Reports were presented to the Bishop. (Appendix B.)

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Clerical deputies to be elected at this convention, be instructed to prepare the diocesan report to the general convention.

The Convention took a recess to 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ o'clock this evening.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 10th, 1871.

The Convention reassembled. The Bishop read his annual address. (Appendix A.)

On motion, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the decease of Bishop Kemper, be referred to a committee of three.

Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., Rev. R. S. Nash and Rev. W. H. Hickcox were appointed such committee.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the need and opportunities of missionary enterprise in our diocese, be referred to a committee of three.

The chair appointed as such committee, Revs. J. M. Kendrick and J. N. Lee, and Mr. W. H. Warner.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the subject of worldliness in the Church, be referred to a committee of three.

The chair appointed as such committee Revs. R. S. Nash, J. N. Lee, and Dr. G. R. Baldwin.

The Convention then adjourned until tomorrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, MAY 11th, 1871, 9 o'clock, A.M.

The Convention assembled at the hour appointed. Morning prayer was read by the Revs. C. E. D. Griffith

and J. K. Dunn. At the close of divine service, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved, and the roll was called.

A resolution in regard to the subject of Prayer-Book revision and the adapting of the Church to the necessities of our times, presented by the Rev. J. N. Lee, was, on motion, referred to a committee of three, consisting of Revs. J. N. Lee and L. L. Holden, and Hon. W. H. Canfield, with instructions to report at the first favorable opportunity.

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as related to the decease of Bishop Kemper, presented the following preamble, resolution, and minutes, as their report, which, on motion, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas the Bishop of the diocese has recalled to our minds a painful event, which occurred soon after the adjournment of the last annual convention, viz: the death of the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D.D., the first missionary Bishop of our Church, and, as such, for some time Bishop of the Church in Kansas, and also President of the primary convention of this diocese, therefore

Resolved, That we enter upon the pages of our journal the following

MINUTE:

In the demise of the Rt. Rev. JACKSON KEMPER, D.D., the first missionary Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the first of its clergy to officiate west of the Alleghanies, and the first of its Bishops to cross the Missouri, and break the bread of life within the limits of the present diocese of Kansas, we have lost a beloved father, and the Church at large has been deprived of a bishop, whose guileless life, abundant labors, earnest piety, sound learning, calm firmness, and loving heart, made him a model, most worthy of our imitation. As he followed Christ, may we follow him.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble, resolution, and minute, be sent by the secretary of the convention to the Bishop of the diocese of Wisconsin, and to the family of the late Bishop.

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as related to the subject of worldliness in the Church, presented as their report, the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That we regard the remarks of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese on the subject of confirmations during the past year, and the danger of worldliness in the Church, as eminently timely and appropriate, that he be respectfully requested to issue a Pastoral letter, embodying the subject of those remarks, and that ——— copies be published at the expense of the Convention for distribution.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, presented the following as an additional report :

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, would respectfully make an additional report as follows :

That they have examined the application and certificate from the following newly organized parish, St. Luke's Church, Wamego, and find them correct in form and in compliance with the Constitution of this Diocese, and they therefore recommend the admission of said parish to representation in the Convention.

JOHN BAKEWELL, *Chairman*.

J. N. LEE,

C. E. D. GRIFFITH,

CHAS. H. SCHILLING,

G. R. BALDWIN, *Committee*.

On motion the Parish of St. Luke's Church, Wamego, was admitted into union with this Convention, and the certificate of its lay delegates being presented, was, on motion referred to the Committee on Qualifications, who reported the following persons as duly elected delegates from said parish, viz: Phil. D. Fisher, E. D. Cook and Malcolm Gregory, and the roll being called, Messrs. Fisher and Cook answered to their names.

Elections being next in order, were proceeded with.

The Rev. John Bakewell was re-elected treasurer, and the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, registrar of the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of deputies to the General Convention.

The following persons were thereupon chosen by the clergy, and approved by the laity, and declared elected to the Convention as clerical deputies, viz: The Rev.

Messrs. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., J. N. Lee, L. L. Holden and W. H. Hickcox.

The following were elected by the clergy and approved by the laity, as supplemental clerical deputies, viz: The Rev. Messrs. J. Bakewell, A. Beatty, J. K. Dunn and D. O. Kellogg, Jr.

The following persons of the laity were chosen by their own order, and approved by the clergy and declared elected as lay deputies, viz: Messrs. W. H. Canfield, A. G. Otis, Wm. H. Warner and E. M. Bartholow, and as supplemental lay deputies, Messrs. A. Todd, C. H. Schilling, L. G. Hopkins and J. W. Farnsworth.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders, for members of the Standing Committee. The clergy chose and the laity approved the following as clerical members: The Rev. Messrs. John Bakewell, J. K. Dunn, Chas. Reynolds, D. D. and J. M. Kendrick. The laity in like manner chose and the clergy approved the following, as lay members: Messrs. Samuel Reynolds, J. C. Horton, W. W. Nevison and W. C. Ransom.

On motion the Convention took a recess till 3 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, May 11, 1871, 3 o'clock.

The Convention reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

Elections being still in order, the Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., was nominated Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion the chair appointed Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Rev. L. L. Holden and Mr. G. Geiger, a Committee to make nominations for the Executive Missionary Committee for the ensuing year.

The Committee, after consultation, reported the following names for said Executive Missionary Committee: the Revs. J. N. Lee, J. Bakewell, J. K. Dunn and D. O. Kellogg, Jr., and Messrs. S. Reynolds, J. C. Horton, O. H. Dorrance and J. W. Farnsworth.

On motion the report was adopted, and the above named persons declared duly elected.

The following were elected visitors and examiners of Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka: The Revs. A. Beatty, J. H. Lee, J. M. Kendrick and D. O. Kellogg, Jr., and Messrs. A. G. Otis, S. Kingman, H. C. Schell and D. P. Fisher and the Misses E. P. Leonard and O. E. Clements.

On motion the rules were suspended to admit the following resolutions.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a copy of the Canons of the Diocese be published with the Journal of this Convention.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Chapel at Fort Riley, and the Mission at Ottawa, be relieved of the diocesan assessment for 1869-70.

The treasurer presented his annual report, (Appendix C.) which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Board of Visitors and Examiners of the Diocesan Female Seminary is in the following extracts from written reports of two of their number:

I was especially gratified with the examination in Geometry. One must think and analyze in order to demonstrate clearly such difficult propositions as were there presented. The Latin classes evinced excellent drill in pronunciation. The essays of the young ladies were unpretending and simple in their character, pleasant and evidently original; in so much better taste than the grandiloquent displays so often endured. I desire to notice particularly the good taste and cultivated voice of the vocal music teacher. I noticed upon the walls of the school room, some paintings in oil, the coloring of which was very good. A few pieces in water colors pleased me very much, and were so true to nature I could almost catch their perfume.

That Mr. Lee is an indefatigable worker, and possesses within himself the elements of success is a self-evident truth.

As a member of the Board of Visitors and Examiners, I can most heartily commend him and the school over which he presides, to the confidence of the public.

ORPHA E. CLEMENT,

Principal of Maple Wood Seminary, Leavenworth.

I regret that I was not able to remain long enough to hear the recitations of the more mature and advanced classes. The appearance of the younger students, however, the readiness and precision of their answers, were sufficient indications of the wise method and faithful instruction which must have guided all. The examinations in Mathematics were conducted admirably. The class in Painting was well represented by a number of pieces in oil and water colors. The latter especially were very creditable efforts. The vocal and instrumental performances were agreeable and satisfactory.

E. P. LEONARD,

Professor in the State University.

The Committee on Diocesan Institutions presented the following report:

They have listened to the verbal report by the Bishop of the diocese on behalf of the Trustees of the Diocesan Female Seminary, at Topeka. And they have received the report of the visitors and examiners who were present at the last examination.

The information that has been laid before them, as to the management and condition of the institution, has been altogether favorable. The Committee have listened with great satisfaction to the statements of the Bishop with reference to the progress of the new building and the superior character of the accommodations that are being thus provided.

It is suggested that it would be proper for this Committee of the Convention to receive, through the Trustees, a report from the Principal of the Seminary.

The Committee urge upon the Convention, and upon the Churchmen of the diocese, the paramount duty of supporting the Diocesan Seminary.

For the Committee,

J. M. KENDRICK.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported on the several reported changes referred to them. Whereupon, on motion, the following proposed amendment to certain articles of the constitution, was referred

to a special committee of five, to report at the next Convention.

Resolved, To amend the Constitution of the Diocese, as follows:

By substituting the word "biennially" for the word "annually" in Article II, and Article IX.

By substituting the word "biennial" for the word "annual" in Articles II, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, and XVI.

The Chair appointed as such committee, the Revs. J. M. Kendrick, C. Reynolds, D.D., J. K. Dunn and Messrs. W. H. Canfield and J. H. Prescott.

Further action on the report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, was suspended to allow the introduction of the following report and resolutions:

The committee who have been directed to report upon the advisability of the amendments referred by the General Convention of 1868 to the Diocesan Conventions, report favorably upon the proposed changes in the "Table of Days on which Easter will fall." They are not agreed as to the advisability of the proposed amendment of Article 5 of the Constitution, relating to the division of dioceses, the Committee being equally divided.

J. M. KENDRICK,
JOHN BAKEWELL.

Diocese of Kansas, May 11, 1871.

Whereupon, on motion, the proposed change in the "Table of Days on which Easter will fall," was approved by the Convention. As to the proposed change in the Constitution the Convention expressed no opinion.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Registrar of the diocese, be authorized to purchase from time to time, at the expense of the Convention, such books, pamphlets or documents, as may in his opinion conduce to the preservation of the history of the church in this diocese.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons was resumed and continued till the hour of adjournment.

On motion, the Convention took a recess till 8 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING, May 11, 1871, 8 o'clock.

The Convention reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons being before the Convention, several amendments to Canon IV were approved and the whole Canon adopted, as follows:

CANON IV.

ELECTION AND DUTIES OF WARDENS AND VESTRIES.

Section 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each parish an election of a vestry, to consist of two church wardens, who shall whenever practicable, be communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven vestrymen. The wardens and vestrymen, shall be of the male electors in the parish.

In case there be no meeting, or no election on the day above named, the rector, the warden, or any five electors, may call a parish meeting for such election, notice of which meeting shall be given at a public service on the Lord's day, or by three written notices of the same, posted in the town or city, for at least three successive days, one of which notices shall be posted on the door of the church, or place for holding public services; and until a new vestry is elected, the existing wardens and vestry shall continue in office.

The electors shall be the communicants of the parish, and also members of the congregation who have attained their majority, and who have been, except in the case of the organization of a parish, and at the first election, regular or habitual attendants upon the public worship and services of the church, for at least three months preceding the election, and who during the year preceding, have contributed to the support of the same. Only the electors present at any meeting shall vote, and no proxies shall be received. If any question shall arise as to the right of any person to vote as a communicant, the rector, if there be one, or in his absence, or in a vacancy in the rectorship, the wardens shall decide it; and as to the right of any person not a communicant, the existing vestry shall decide it. No person shall be counted as a communicant, until he or she has actually communicated in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Other qualifications, not inconsistent with this section, may be prescribed by the several parishes, and this canon shall not affect the existing rules of parishes already received into union with this Convention, under special constitutions.

Sec. 2. At their first meeting, the vestry shall appoint a clerk, whose duty it shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the vestry, and to record them in a book, and to do such other acts as usually belong to the clerks of corporations. They shall also elect, if the parish have failed to do so at the

annual meeting, a senior and a junior warden. In all vestries into which less than five vestrymen have been elected, the rector, or in his absence, one of the wardens, in the order of seniority, shall preside. In all vestries into which five or more vestrymen have been elected, the rector, or in his absence, a warden, or in the absence of both rector and wardens, a chairman, *pro tem*, elected by the body, shall preside.

Sec. 3. Shall be amended by the addition of the following words: "It shall also be the duty of the vestry to make a report to the annual parish meeting, giving a statement of the receipts and expenditures of all monies subject to their direction, during the preceding year, and also presenting such other matters, in relation to the general welfare and condition of the parish, as they think proper."

Sections 4 and 5 to remain as heretofore.

Changes proposed in Canon VI, on "the trial of a clergyman," were considered, and the following amendments adopted:

In section 1, line 5, the phrase "standing committee" was changed to "bishop." In section 2, the first paragraph was changed so as to read, "The bishop shall thereupon institute an enquiry as to the truth of the charges made, and if, upon such enquiry, there be *prima facie* evidence against the accused, he shall report the facts to the standing committee, who shall thereupon make further enquiry, and if they deem the charges well founded, shall present said clergyman to the bishop for trial."

In section 4, line 7, after the phrase, "a board of four presbyters," insert the words "none of whom shall be members of the standing committee." In the same section, line 12, after the phrase "to challenge two of them," insert the words "and also to challenge any member of the court who may have formed or expressed an opinion against the accused, as to the facts charged in the presentment." Section 11, to be stricken out, and, in its place, as section 11, the present section 12 to be inserted, amended as follows: lines 10, 11 and 12 to read, "the bishop may disapprove the judgment, and order a revision or reconsideration of the evidence, and the rendering of a new judgment, in the points disapproved: or, if new and important evidence in the case be laid before him, he shall recommit the case to the court and order a new trial."

Section 12 was adopted as follows:

Sec. 12. If in the absence of public rumor, or of a formal complaint, or if, at any time before or after a formal complaint, as provided for in the first section of this canon, and before the selection and summoning of the court or board of four presbyters, provided for in the 4th section of this canon, a clergyman shall confess to the bishop that he is guilty of any offence or offences,

for which, under the canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, such confession in the form of a statement made in writing, by such clergyman, may be laid by the bishop before the clerical members of the standing committee, who shall be the court for such case, and who shall, thereupon, as soon as they conveniently can do so, communicate to the bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the party confessing, and as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced. If the bishop approve the judgment, he shall, within ten days, pronounce sentence as prescribed and authorized in the latter clause of section 11, immediately preceding.

If, after the summoning of the court, and before or during the trial, the accused shall confess the substantial truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, or shall confess to any offences for which ministers may be tried and punished, the court may be immediately organized, and may dispense with hearing testimony after such confession, and shall proceed at once to state to the bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the accused, and the sentence that ought to be pronounced, and the bishop shall, within ten days, proceed to pronounce sentence as directed in the previous paragraph of this section.

The present section 13 was stricken out, and instead, as section 13, the following was adopted:

Sec. 13. In case of the suspension of any clergyman, such suspension is understood to be from the exercise of the functions of the ministry, and may be for a limited period, or until the offender gives to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of contrition and reformation, or it may include both these conditions. Suspension shall, *ipso facto*, sever the connections between the clergyman so suspended and his parish, and, also, during the period of its continuance, vacate his seat in the diocesan Convention.

Section 15 was amended by striking out the words "as the case may require," at the close of the section.

The following was adopted as Canon IX, and the present Canons IX, X, XI, and XII, were numbered X, XI, XII, and XIII, respectively:

CANON IX.

AID FOR AGED AND INDIGENT CLERGYMEN.

Section 1. A fund to be known as the Christmas Fund, for the support of aged and indigent clergymen of the diocese, shall be raised by a collection in each parish, on Christmas day, or on the Sunday preceding or succeeding Christmas day.

Sec. 2. The amount collected by each parish shall be forwarded without delay to the Bishop of the diocese, who, with the advice of the lay members of

the Standing Committee, shall invest the same in good security, and use the interest and the principal of the same, or such part thereof as may be necessary to carry out the object named in section 1 of this canon.

The following proposed changes in Section 4 of Article IX of the Constitution was, on motion, approved by a majority, and lies over till the next Convention for final action.

ARTICLE IX—SECTION 4.

Sec. 4. Any five members of the committee, the whole having been only summoned, shall be a quorum, except for such purposes as by their own rules, or by the laws of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

The committee shall, on the requisition of the bishop, be summoned as a Council of Advice, by the president, or, in case of his inability to act, through absence or sickness, by the secretary.

Special meetings may be called by the president, or by the secretary at the request of the bishop.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted :

We find the account of the treasurer of this Convention, the Rev. John Bakewell, to be correct, and the balance on hand, as stated, \$428.00.

We recommend to the Convention, for action, the following assessments for the year 1872, to be paid on or before the meeting of the Convention in May, 1872:

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$40.00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City.....	75.00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	15.00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	50.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	15.00
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	20.00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	25.00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20.00
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	5.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5.00
Christ Church, Salina.....	10.00
Emmanuel Mission, Monmouth.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Oakaloosa.....	5.00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00

\$390.00

J. N. LEE,
GEO. GEIGER,
JOHN A. CLARK,
Committee on Finance.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next convention be held at Trinity Church, Lawrence.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the president and secretary be a committee to publish five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention, and two hundred extra copies of the Constitution and Canons of the diocese.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of prayer book revision, and the adaptation of the church to the necessities of our times, presented as their report, the following preamble and resolutions, which, on motion, were adopted, *nem. con.*

Whereas, The statements of the preface to the Book of Common Prayer in regard to changes in said book, from time to time rendered advisable to be made "by common consent and authority," "according to the various exigencies of times and seasons," are still in force, and eminently wise in their proper application.

And whereas, Such moderate and well considered changes in our ancient and Scriptural liturgy, as have been, from time to time, allowed, including the occasional discretionary forms appointed, have proved useful and beneficent in their practical results, securing in fact, a greater degree of uniformity, as well as of quietness and peace in the church.

And whereas, The catholicity of Christ's church should be carefully maintained, to the end that she may evermore furnish a comfortable home not only to "all conditions of men," but to all classes of mind that obtain among Christian people, provided always that nothing essential in her doctrine, discipline, or worship, be sacrificed.

Therefore resolved, by this Convention, that in its judgment, the exigencies of the church at this time suggest, in an unmistakable manner, to the General Convention, the propriety of considering whether there is not now a necessity for allowing, by "common consent and authority," certain moderate and carefully considered changes, not necessarily either numerous or extensive, but framed to meet the conscientious scruples of some who are orthodox in faith, godly in life and loyal to the church, and whose love and labors and loyalty she cannot afford to lose: and furthermore to adapt the church to her work, in the peculiar needs and present condition of our country.

Resolved, That this Convention deems it a privilege, as well as duty, in this connection, to express its approval of the principle and policy enunciated in the paper called "the Letter of the nine Bishops."

Resolved, That we respectfully request our deputies to the next General Convention, to use their influence in that body to secure such legislation as may be practicable and advisable in order to carry out the spirit of the above resolutions.

J. N. LEE,
L. L. HOLDEN,
W. H. CANFIELD, *Committee.*

The P. E. Church Extension Committee presented the following report:

In behalf of the P. E. Church Extension Committee, appointed at the Convention of 1888, we beg leave to report:

That we have been unable to accomplish anything definite, since the last Convention. The Committee are still convinced of the advisability of acquiring property for church purposes, in the new towns springing up in the different portions of the State; they have nevertheless had their attention called to serious difficulties in the acquisition and subsequent retention without taxation of property, unless immediately occupied by buildings.

J. BAKEWELL,
CHAS. REYNOLDS,
For the Committee.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Convention be tendered to the members and friends of our church in this city, who have entertained the members of this Convention, for their kind hospitality, and to the rector, wardens, and vestry, of this parish, for the use of their church edifice, for the meetings of the Convention.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the M. R. Ft. S. & G. R. R. and other railroads, for passing delegates at half fare.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered the U. S. Express Co., for gratuitous distribution of the Journals of the Convention, for the past two years.

Business being concluded, the minutes of the day were read and approved, and after the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL, *President.*

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Our past Conventional year, my brethren, was fitly introduced by the interesting and agreeable circumstances of our visit at Junction City, at the last Convention. The reference to these reminds us at once of the harmony of our counsels, of the kind attentions and generous hospitality of our friends and brethren, of the earnest missionary interest developed, and of the spirit of unity and brotherly love on the part of clergy and laity alike. May a similar experience attend us on all future occasions of our annual assembling!

On our return from the Convention on Friday, May 13th, the Bishop, with several of the clergy and lay delegates, stopped at Manhattan for divine service and for the consecration of St. Paul's Church, just completed and paid for., The instrument of donation was presented by the senior warden, Mr. Ambrose Todd, and read by Mr. Lewis Kurtz, one of the vestry, and the sentence of consecration was read by the Rev. J. H. Lee, a former rector. The Rev. Montgomery Schuyler, D.D., rector of Christ church, St. Louis, who had been present with us at the Convention, preached a very appropriate sermon on the occasion, and the visitors were most satisfactorily cared for by the parishioners. It was pleasant to us to begin a new year with such a service, and we congratulate the devoted members of our church in that town for this happy result of long labors and many self-denials and faithful prayers.

From that day, the record of my visitations is as follows:

Sunday, May 22d, 1870, Lawrence, Trinity church. Services all day, in the absence of the rector.

Wednesday, June 15th, Oskaloosa, St. Mark's church. Confirmed one (1) person. Address. On this visit, several of the clergy were present, for these were the opening services in the new church just completed, under the zealous labors of the Rev. C. E. D. Griffith, missionary and rector. The Rev. Mr. Kendrick, of Leavenworth, preached the sermon.

Sunday, June 19th, Leavenworth city, Church of St. Paul, a. m. After delivering the Exhortation, prescribed by the Rubric, I admitted to the order of deacons, Mr. Kinney Hall, presented by the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, and administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, I again officiated in the church.

Sunday, June 26th, Topeka, Grace church. Preached, morning and evening.

Friday, July 1st. Visited Ellsworth, several of the clergy accompanying me. On this visit the church of the Holy Apostles was consecrated. The instrument of donation was read by the senior warden, the Hon. James Miller, and the sentence of consecration by the Rev. J. N. Lee. A brief history of the church was read by the senior warden, and an address was made by the Bishop. One person was confirmed, and the Holy Communion was administered. In the afternoon, divine service was again held, and addresses were made by several of the clergy. This church is the farthest west belonging to any denomination of Christians in the State, and is the only church in the town. Some time before the consecration, the previous missionary, Mr. Griffith, resigned his care of the mission, as being at too great a distance (some two hundred miles) from the rest of his field in Jefferson county, to which he proposed to confine his labors. He was succeeded by the Rev. Kinney Hall, deacon, who, under the immediate supervision of the bishop, officiated, until about the middle of last November, at Ellsworth, alternately with Salina.

During the year preceding this arrangement with Mr. Hall, the station at Salina had been supplied with occasional services by the Rev. J. H. Lee of Manhattan,

whose Sundays have been regularly occupied with missionary work. In December, Mr. Hall became assistant to the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, in his parish and school at Leavenworth city. The Rev. William Vaux, post chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Harker, (transferred to this diocese from Tennessee, March 16th, ult.,) is now officiating at Ellsworth, as rector, on the second and fourth Sundays in each month, and Mr. Lee has resumed his care of the mission at Salina.

Sunday, July 3d, Lawrence, Trinity church, sermon and Holy Communion.

Sunday, July 17th, Atchison, Trinity church. Officiated, morning and evening, in the absence of the rector.

Sunday, July 24th, Wyandotte, St. Paul's church. Officiated, morning and evening, in the vacancy of the rectorship. Baptized two (2) infants.

The rectorship of this church remained vacant for some six months after the removal of Mr. Holden to Emporia. Services were continued irregularly by lay reading, and occasional visits of the bishop, or other clergymen. In October, an arrangement was made with the Rev. R. S. Nash, a former rector, for the supply of the parish for six months. Mr. Nash was received into this diocese by letter dimissory from Missouri, on the the 23d of February of this year, and is still residing and officiating at Wyandotte.

On the next day, July 25th, I went to Manhattan to meet the Rev. J. H. Lee, with whom I had an appointment for a missionary excursion. On the next morning we started, in a two-seated buggy, on our trip. Our course lay up the valley of the Big Blue River. Tuesday night we spent at Irving, in Marshall County. We had appointed a meeting in this place for the evening, but the appointment failed because of the absence of the friend to whom our letter had been sent. We found two or three of our people here whom we visited.

On the next day we passed through Blue Rapids, and went on to Waterville, at the present terminus of the Central Branch of the U. P. R. R., one hundred miles west from Atchison. At the time of this visit we could not learn of any members of our church at Blue Rapids. Since that time a small congregation has been organized here, under the general charge of the Rev. George Turner,

now doing missionary duty on the line of the Central Branch Railroad. An earnest layman, Mr. Charles Holmes, conducts the Sunday school, and does lay reading at this station. At Waterville an appointment for services had been made, but a grand excursion train to Atchison for that day, at greatly reduced rates of fare, had almost depopulated the town for the time, and a severe thunder storm, with sharp lightning and heavy rain, occurring at the very hour fixed for the service, our plans were interrupted. Here, too, on that evening and the next morning, we called upon such of our people as were in town. Regular services have since been organized here, under the charge of the Rev. George Turner.

On the next day we went on between twenty and thirty miles farther west, to Washington, the shire town of Washington County, where, in the evening, we held service in the school-house, using the mission service, Mr. Lee and myself both making addresses, and in this way preaching the Word of God. We did not find any of our people here.

On Friday we proceeded twenty miles further north and west to Clyde, the county seat of Cloud County. Here we made arrangements to return for services on the next evening and on the following Sunday, and proceeded thirteen miles further up the Republican River, to which we had crossed, to Lawrenceburgh, commonly known in that country as Salt Creek. Here we stopped at the commodious log house of a friend who had moved from the Kansas Valley, and in the evening held service in the log store where the few settlers from the neighborhood of several miles around, with their wives and children, assembled. With the aid of a candle here and there we went through the evening prayer. The congregation sat, a few in chairs, and others upon boxes and bales and nail kegs, while I stood on a small vacant space in the center of the room and preached to them. It had been a time of trial to the poor settlers, for it had been a dry summer, and the ground had not been deep-plowed, but only surface-skimmed, and the corn had failed, and they were quite discouraged.

I told them of the providence of God, and the Father's care for his children, and how he brings good out of evil, and how trials produce strength and perseverance

and careful industry, and how they lead us to long for the home of rest and blessedness, and how these tribulations are designed to lead us to God's kingdom, when without them we should be unmindful of that kingdom, and lose our souls, and then of the sufferings and of the love of Christ, and of his patient spirit; and the Word seemed blessed, and, as in an assembly of the ancient times, they were "not a little comforted."

On the next morning, leaving our horses, we started with two strong mules, driven by our friend, for Lake Sibley, ten miles farther up the Republican, reaching the town about noon. On the road, the mules ran away, throwing the driver over the dashboard under their heels. Mr. Lee succeeded in jumping out, and I was thrown out in front under the wheels, pushed by them down the hill until both of them passed over me. In God's gracious providence none of us were seriously harmed. In the course of an hour our team was recovered uninjured, and we went on to Lake Sibley, where a little sticking plaster, and some other medicine prescribed by a physician there, soon prepared us for the continuation of our ride. Only one other settlement, and this entirely of Swedes, was above us, and after getting all the information we could as to our church or her people in that neighborhood, we returned to Lawrenceburgh. There, taking our horses, we drove back to Clyde, which we reached in time for the evening service; at which Mr. Lee officiated, while I, feeling very lame and sore, went to my bed, and by a night of quiet and rest was much refreshed.

Our services on Sunday, July 31st, were held on the lower floor of an unfinished building designed for a court house. The large room was filled, an extemporaneous choir gave us the chants, Mr. Lee read the service, and I explained as we went on, and led the responses, which were quite full. In the morning Mr. Lee and I both addressed the people, and in the afternoon I preached a more formal sermon. At this county seat we have quite a nice congregation, and a missionary; if we had the money to aid them, might find a very promising field. Nothing could be more cordial than their reception of us on this visit.

On Monday we rode down the Republican, on our return, until we came to Clay Centre, the county seat of

Clay county, where we officiated in the evening, in a new unfinished school building. The windows were not in; the night was clear and the wind was strong; the congregation sat or reclined on the carpenters' benches, or on boards or piles of shaving, when we preached, while, by the aid of two or three lanterns, around which the peopled were grouped in circles, we read the mission service. We found here two or three of our people, and a missionary, if we could have one here, would be encouraged.

On the next day we drove on to Milford, where we officiated, in a similar place, and under precisely similar circumstances. Two or three church families reside here or in the neighborhood.

On our way down we crossed the river to visit the English settlement at Wakefield. Many of these immigrants are Wesleyans predisposed to our church, and many of them have been brought up in the English church. They received us very cordially, and many of them wish for the dear old liturgy. But where is the missionary?

At the close of the services at Milford, we set out for Fort Riley, where we arrived at the chaplaincy, at about two o'clock that night. On the next morning, Wednesday, August 3rd, I parted from my fellow traveller and our worthy hosts, and taking the cars, in the afternoon reached home.

It was a pleasant trip on the whole, and showed me, as every new journey into our State does, the splendid opportunities which are opening to our church in every county, so many of which, alas, from the lack of men or of means, we are obliged to surrender to others more zealous or more able.

August 10th. At Topeka, at a meeting of the trustees of the Episcopal Female Seminary, the bids for the new buildings were opened, but we were obliged to reject them all as too expensive, and it was resolved to procure new plans on a less expensive scale.

Sunday, August 21st, I officiated, morning and evening, in the very large and noble audience room of the new Congregational church in Lawrence, at the invitation of the pastor and trustees, with the consent of the rector of Trinity church. The congregation united with me

in our beautiful service, the chants were admirably rendered, and the occasion was delightful to those who, while recognizing the serious differences between the several branches of the Christian fold, can yet sympathize in the desire for unity, and who appreciate true liberality and charity in any of their genuine developments.

Sunday, August 28th. At Emporia, in the court house, a. m., the Rev. L. L. Holden, rector and missionary, read the service, and the Rev. Dr. Craik of Louisville, who was visiting in the town and, whom I was very happy to meet, preached, and I administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, Dr. Craik assisted Mr. Holden in the service, and I preached. None were confirmed. On Monday I attended a meeting of the vestry, and it was resolved to proceed at once to the building of the church. The church is of brick, 28 feet by 60, and will seat three hundred people. It is already roofed and floored. The congregation hope to occupy it before long for public worship. The building of this church in this very important town is very much due to the generosity of Miss Elizabeth P. Shields, a member of St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia, who presented one thousand dollars, through me, towards this object, and in addition, presented a very handsome Bible and prayer book for the desk, and a beautiful communion service, and also fifty prayer books for distribution in the church when completed. May God reward her!

On Thursday I went by stage, accompanied by the Rev. C. E. D. Griffith to Eureka, the county seat of Greenwood county, between fifty and sixty miles south from Emporia. Here was a town of some six hundred inhabitants, where six months before were only two log houses. I found some twenty-five communicants and thirty-five to forty families of our church. On the evening of my arrival, I rode out some eleven miles to visit a dying man, with whom I talked and prayed, and to whom, with his wife and a friend with them, I administered the Holy Communion. On the next morning I returned to Eureka, where I remained until Friday. On Wednesday evening I preached in the little Methodist church, kindly lent to us, to quite a house full of Episcopalians. A church has been organized here by the name of Christ church, and

Mr. Griffith having accepted an invitation from the people, is residing and officiating here as rector and missionary.

On Friday, I went on by stage through Butler county, seventy miles further west, to Wichita, the county seat of Sedgwick county, at the confluence of the Little and Big Arkansas rivers. Here, as at Eureka, was a town of 600 people, grown up since the February before, from two log houses. I found quite a number of church families and communicants, and an unique little log church, built in stockade arrangement, some 35x16 feet, with recess, chancel and Holy Table, and pulpit and organ platform, and saw dust floor—the third building erected in the settlement. Here I preached on Saturday evening, while the service was read by Mr. John Rice Hilton, the lay reader, and almost minister, the pioneer who built the church, and who has devoted most of his time to its interests. On Saturday I visited the people, and in the afternoon I buried a child. On Sunday, September 4th, I preached in the morning and administered the Holy Communion, and in the afternoon I solemnized a marriage, and in the evening again preached. After spending the morning of Monday in visiting the people, I left Wichita for Eldorado, the county seat of Butler county, and on the next day returned by stage to Emporia, and on Wednesday, the 7th, reached home.

The two Sundays following my return, were very stormy, and I was prevented (after a trial of two or three miles) by the deep mud on the Kansas bottom, from keeping an appointment at a school house in Reno township.

September 9. Topeka. Meeting of the trustees of the Episcopal Female Seminary, at which the new plans, by Capt. J. G. Haskell, were adopted.

Sunday, September 25th. At Garnett, the county seat of Anderson county. Read service and preached in the morning, in the Presbyterian church, in the evening in the Methodist church. A parish has been organized here, by the name of Grace church. Our people are few in number, but have very wisely decided that it is best to preserve an organization, and to have occasional services, and thus to prepare the agencies for future growth.

Sunday, October 9. Lawrence. Trinity church. Confirmed one (1) person.

Thursday, November 10, 4 p. m. Laid the corner stone of the new Trinity church, Lawrence. A large congregation was in attendance. The church, with a large tower on the front corner, at the intersection of the two streets, measures in its extreme exterior dimensions 102 by 61 feet. The plan is for a beautiful building.

Sunday, November 13. Leavenworth, a. m. Church of St. Paul. Sermon. Evening, at the Fort. Sermon.

Sunday, November 20. Oskaloosa. St. Mark's church, morning and evening. Baptized one infant.

Sunday, November 27. Atchison. Trinity church. Officiated morning and evening.

November 30. Emporia, a. m. Laid the corner stone of the new church.

January 5-7. At Atchison. Met with the Convocation, and administered the Holy Communion. It was a delightful gathering, and the services were very interesting. It was a source of deep regret that I could not spend the Sunday with my brethren, but was compelled to leave them on Saturday afternoon.

On the 13th of January, 1871, I was called to a very severe affliction in the death of a dear daughter. She had been seriously sick for three months, and on several of the Sundays during this period, I had been detained from visitations by the duty of being near to the failing and precious invalid. The memories of her pure example and blameless life remain to us as an invaluable possession, and the hope that comes from the knowledge of her sweet Christian character is our inexpressible comfort. Yet we shall miss her sadly until we meet her again.

On Tuesday, January 24th, I visited Wyandotte, where I solemnized a marriage at the house of a friend, and, also, in the church, administered the sacrament of Baptism to three infants.

Sunday, January 29. Officiated in Lawrence, in the absence of the Rev. Mr. Dunn at the mission in Humboldt.

In the course of February and March I officiated on two or three Sundays at Topeka, in the vacancy of the Rectorship. Much of my time, also, was occupied, and I was frequently absent from home, in important matters connected with the action of the Standing Committee.

. My regular spring visitations, which, for the reasons referred to, had been postponed, were commenced on Sunday, March 26, when I visited St. Luke's mission, Wamego. The Rev. J. H. Lee has very faithfully kept up the services here, on every other Sunday, for the last three years; in connection with other work, of late the care of Christ church mission at Salina, on the alternate Sundays. In the morning I preached in the Presbyterian church, and administered the Holy Communion; in the afternoon, in the same place, baptized one (1) infant, and in the evening, preached, confirmed six (6) persons, and gave a charge. They will soon move in church building.

. Sunday, April 2. Lawrence. Trinity church. Exhortation. Ordained to the Diaconate Mr. Joseph William Norwood, presented by the Rev. J. K. Dunn. Holy Communion.

. Sunday, April 9. Easter Day. Junction City. Church of the Covenant, a. m. Service read by the Rev. W. H. Hickcox. Sermon. Holy Communion. P. M. Service read by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, rector, and Mr. Hickcox. Preached, and confirmed one (1) person. In the evening I preached in the chapel at Fort Riley.

Easter Monday, April 10. Manhattan. St. Paul's church. Evening. Sermon. Confirmed four (4) persons. Address.

Saturday, April 15. Evening. At Burlington, Coffey county. After sermon confirmed eight (8) persons, and made an address to the confirmed.

Sunday, April 16. Burlington, a. m. Consecrated the new church by the name of the Church of the Ascension, the parish, in its corporate character, having changed its title from that of "St. Andrew's Church" to that of the "Church of the Ascension." Sermon. Holy Communion. In the evening, preached. The rectorship of Mr. Holden is very acceptable, and the parish is in a prosperous condition.

Sunday, April 23. Humboldt. Emmanuel mission, a. m., Public Hall. Read service. Baptized two (2) infants, and preached. Evening, Presbyterian church. Preached, confirmed three (3) persons, and made an address. Here is one of the striking illustrations of the increase of our church with that of the general population. For several years there has been just one com-

municant in this city. And two and a half years ago, when I last visited the town, the lady referred to was still the only communicant. Now, I found some twenty-four (24) communicants, and nearly thirty families identified with our communion, a strong and vigorous parish springing into life at once.

Thursday, April 27. At Monmouth, nine miles from Topeka. Emmanuel mission. This mission has come into existence under the charge of the Rev. J. N. Lee, of the Diocesan Seminary in Topeka. The corner stone of their new brick church was laid by me last autumn, and it is expected to be ready for use this summer. It is very much to the credit of this congregation that, instead of going away to other people for help, they have, although a farming population, with their own houses not yet built or completed, honorably laid the chief burden upon their own shoulders, and have borne it nobly. Something has come to them from outside, but almost all of such contributions from friends who have volunteered their help.

On the occasion here referred to we met, as we did last year, in the old school house, in a severe storm. After preaching I confirmed three persons, and addressed them.

Sunday, April 30. Atchison. Trinity church, a. m. Sermon. Confirmed three (3) persons, and gave a charge. In the afternoon baptized one (1) infant. In the evening made an address: The church lot has been handsomely fenced, and trees planted. The last piece of work, the entrance to the beautiful church by large stone steps, has been completed. And every debt has been paid, even to some old outlawed debts entailed upon the present corporation from the early times.

Monday, May 1. St. Philip and St. James's Day. Leavenworth City, p. m. Church of St. Paul. After the service, and infant baptism by the rector, I made a brief address, confirmed five (5) persons, and gave a charge. Holy Communion. From the church, with the rector, I drove two or three miles and administered confirmation to one person, a sick man, at his home. In the evening, at the Free chapel of St. John, in South Leavenworth, I made an address, confirmed two (2) persons, and gave a charge. In all eight confirmed.

Tuesday, May 2. Lawrence. Trinity church, evening.
Address. Confirmed eight (8) persons. **Charge.** This parish is in a very encouraging condition. Last summer it was determined to enter upon the work of building a new church, and the foundation and some four feet of the walls above the water-table, have been built. Measures are now in progress by gentlemen of experience and of efficiency, to secure the funds for carrying on the work, and it is expected that, in the course of this summer and autumn, the walls will be raised, the roof finished, the floor laid, and the windows put in, so that the building, although not entirely finished, may be ready for a temporary occupancy, until it can be completed. The plan of the new church is very beautiful, and when finished, this will be among the finest buildings in the State. May the Lord bring the effort to a happy conclusion!

Sunday, May 7. Fort Scott. St. Andrew's church, a. m. Preached and baptized one (1) infant. In the evening I preached and confirmed one (1) person, and made a brief address. It was a great satisfaction to see, on this visit, evidence of material progress. The chancel arrangements are now completed, and the floor is nicely carpeted, and a very convenient vestry and robing room has been added at the rear of the church building. Besides these improvements, another work, even more important to the prosperity of the parish, has been accomplished—the erecting and finishing of a large and commodious and gracefully designed rectory upon the church lots. No other parish in the diocese has made within the past year more substantial progress.

I may here state that, in addition to my other work in the diocese, I have, since the last Convention and up to this time, made more than twenty-five special visits to Topeka, to confer with the trustees, to arrange for contracts, to inspect work on the new seminary building, to attend examinations, and in various ways to look after the interests of our diocesan institution in that city, besides giving many days and weeks to the devising of plans, both architectural and financial, for the new

building, which is now in progress, so as to secure, at the least expense, the utmost possible security and convenience in the construction of the building, and the greatest advantages for its double duty, in providing for a Christian Family and for a Christian School. We intend that, as far as our means will allow, it shall be, by God's blessing, a model.

The institution is now in admirable condition. It was never so prosperous, being full to its utmost capacity; and we are waiting, almost impatiently, for the completion of the new building.

As the work progresses, the architectural impressiveness of the building, fronting eastward, is daily being developed. The South section, named Wolfe Hall (the name cut with raised letters in a large stone tablet on the front, inserted in the belt-course), in memorial of the departed wife of the generous donor, Mr. John D. Wolfe, of the city of New York, who presented it, is especially to be admired. In the high basement, 12½ feet high in the clear, (really the lower story), below the white water-table, you see the gymnasium, with its appropriate windows; next above, between the water-table and the white belt-course, you see the noble school room, 14 feet high in the clear, with windows peculiar to itself; and, above the belt-course, which marks its base, you see the beautiful chapel, side-walls 15 feet high, extreme interior height 35 feet, with its pointed windows and its high Gothic roof, open on the interior. These mark the section, and give character and effect to the whole structure. This section measures upon the outside 29 feet front by 74 feet deep. Each of the three rooms in the clear on the inside, measures 25 feet by 70. Next to these, on the north, is the Central and recessed section, 44 feet front by 50 feet deep, with its balconies and Mansard roof. Be-

yond this is the North section, 27 feet front by 74 feet deep, with its four stories above the basement (like the center in this respect), and with its three Gothic gables on the east and north and west. All these make a building 100 feet front by 74 feet deep, unsurpassed in external beauty, and internal convenience, by any for similar uses in the country.

As a diocese, we have much for which to be thankful. Our churches, already admitted into union with this Convention, are increasing in members. New churches have been organized, and some are applying to be received into union with us at our present session. The roll of our clergy has been enlarged, and we shall on the Journal of this year report twenty or more names in addition to that of the Bishop. We have got out of our teens, and our diocese is now taking its place among its stronger peers. Let us be thankful, and strive for usefulness with a proportionate earnestness

I have thus, my brethren, given to you a summary of my work during the past year, and of the general condition of the diocese.

One thing in this report will strike you, as it does me, with particular force, and I find it hard to explain—namely: That while our parishes are becoming every day materially strengthened, increasing in numbers and financial ability, and while new churches are springing up, and our entire position as a church is becoming more marked and influential, yet the number of confirmations is less than in previous years.

Have the clergy been less earnest? I am sure, not. Or, through the peculiar circumstances in which we have been placed, has their attention been called more to material interests, church building, church furnishing, church finishing, in general, to church improvements,

and thus, in looking after these things, have the more important things, especially in their personal conversations with their people, been insensibly made in a measure secondary? This is very possible—a temptation against which we must guard. I put the inquiry, not in the way of assertion, but rather, in the way of suggestion. So much in reference to the clergy.

And now there is a question for the laity. There are two things which expose our people to peculiar spiritual danger in this new country—business and pleasure—both right in themselves, but both liable to be abused to sinful excess. These are temptations everywhere, but especially here. There are so many openings for speculation and money-making, and the people being generally poor, are so anxious to accumulate property, if possible, that the tendency is, particularly, with our men, to supreme occupation with business in its many forms. The worldly spirit thus developed leaves but little time or opportunity for a real religion, which should have the first place, and not the second, in every Christian's experience, and which should prove its life by an active zeal for Christ. And, then, over against this is the natural consequence, or correlative, the rush for pleasure-seeking, to which, from their circumstances, our women are more exposed. Every week, and almost every day, the people whose profession it is to furnish pleasure, and whose business and money profits come from this, provide the opportunities, and the travelling concerts, the travelling lectures, the travelling theatres, the travelling exhibitions, and circuses and shows of all sorts, the races, the balls, and other similar things, invite our people to devote pretty much all of the time, which is not devoted to business, to these amusements. Now a certain proportion of innocent pleasure or recreation is

proper, and the consciences of individual Christians, as the general rule, must guide them in the selection of the modes of recreation. But the tendency with our people is to excess, and to this excess many lost souls will look back as the cause of their ruin.

Practical Christianity is always an appeal to our own sense of personal duty, and involves the exercise of choice. A religion, whose acts are all defined by rigid rules, and where the details of life are all matters of prescription, is a mere mechanical religion, and has no moral character in it. The moral worth of actions depends upon their spontaneity; and the highest and truest religiousness cultivates most jealously the faculty of choice and the right of a personal decision upon questions of duty. Therefore it is, that the precepts of Christianity have reference rather to *principles* of action than to the prescribing or forbidding of individual acts. According to this idea, the system of the church must be arranged, allowing a large scope for individual decisions of duty and acts corresponding to these decisions. Therefore her discipline may seem to be loose, while it is really in harmony with God's mode, and is designed to develop the highest, because the freest, service of God. Therefore on this whole subject of amusements, she does not lay down a compend of mechanical rules applying to all her members, and cutting off the exercise of individual conscience and judgment, but she allows a large liberty of discretion in judging as to personal duty in all matters open to doubt. Whatsoever is absolutely and clearly sinful, is forbidden; yet nothing is to be counted as clearly sinful except what is clearly opposed to a direct and explicit law of God, because "sin is the transgression of the law." But as to all that large class of acts, including amusements, which do not directly

violate God's law, but come within the range of St. Paul's statement: "All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient," which are to be judged of rather by circumstances, or by consequences, or by associations, and which affect different persons differently, there must be recognized this liberty of judgment. At the same time, we must bear in mind St. Paul's caution: "Take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumbling-block to them that are weak." And we must remember that ours is not an *unlimited liberty*, but a *Christian liberty*, and modified by the Christian *laws* of self-denial and brotherly love, and the power of the cross, and the desire for holiness, and the duty of self-sacrifice, and the necessity of a holy influence and of a good and pure example, and in short, of being conformed to the image of Christ.

I beg my brethren of the laity to apply these thoughts in their decisions upon the topic referred to. It has been to me a source of grief that so many of our people, with others, seem to be the devotees of pleasure, even to the neglect of their highest interests in the service of Christ. It is a source of grief, that religion has been too much subordinated to worldly business and worldly pleasure. It is a source of grief, that the means of grace in our apostolic church, are by many of our people so much overlooked, even our hallowed Lenten season, designed for the reviving of our Christian zeal and hope, and our other church seasons, being, not by all, nor by a majority, perhaps, but by many, so imperfectly improved, while so many are hurried on with the world in the mad rush of folly and sin. I trust that these few faithful words will be kindly received by my brethren, and that a more consistent zeal, and a more self-denying devotion and a more watchful intercourse with the world, will mark the history of our parishes in the future.

We turn now to facts outside of the diocese, which are to be reported.

There have been sent to me during the past Conventional year, notices of eight depositions from the Holy Ministry, as follows :

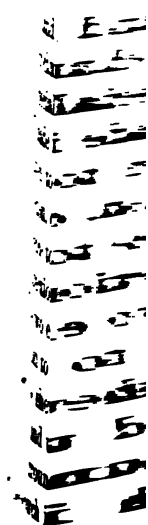
June 13, 1870, Rev. Edward B. Allen, presbyter, by Bishop Eastburn, of Massachusetts. June 30, 1870, Rev. Wm. D. Harlow, presbyter, by Bishop Littlejohn, of Long Island. July 1, 1870, Rev. Roland H. Bourne, and Rev. John Cromlish, presbyters, by Bishop Potter, of New York. November 1, 1870, Rev. Faber Byllesby, presbyter, by Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania. November 20, 1870, Rev. Oscar B. Thayer, by Bishop Whitehouse, of Illinois. December 27, 1870, Rev. Ilas F. Roberts, deacon, by Bishop Morris, of Oregon. April 14, 1871, Rev. Wm. H. Cooper, D.D., by Bishop Lee, of Iowa.

Two new members have been added to the House of Bishops during the past year—the Rt. Rev. William Woodruff Niles, D.D., Bishop of New Hampshire, and the Rt. Rev. William Pinkney, D.D., assistant Bishop of Maryland, and the Rt. Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., missionary Bishop, has been elected to, and has accepted the Episcopate of the diocese of Nebraska.

One Bishop has departed this life, the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D.D., of Wisconsin, who was consecrated as the first missionary Bishop in this church on Friday, September 25, 1835, and who died on the 24th of May, 1870, in the eighty-first year of his age. His jurisdiction originally comprised this whole northwest. In the growth of our country, as that immense territory became popnlated, the several parts, one after another, were organized into diocesan jurisdictions, and passed out from under his care. The last district thus organized

was our own diocese, and he was the presiding Consecrator at the ordination to the Episcopate of your diocesan, to whom the oversight of this last remaining portion of his original missionary jurisdiction was then providentially committed. I need not speak at length of his admirable character; of his remarkable fitness for the great work which was assigned to him, nor of the wondrous and laborious fidelity with which he discharged his trust. His record has been written by many and abler pens, and his praise is in all the churches. His life furnishes a most important link, not only in the history of our American church, but in the history of the church Catholic of this age, as it developes its grand missionary work for the benefit of the world. It is proper that our Convention should express its sense of obligation and reverence towards the first bishop in Kansas, at this earliest opportunity since his lamented departure.

And now, brethren, as I close this part of my address, let me remind you of the spiritual need which is around us on every side, and of the duty of incessant and prayerful activity in the work which we have to do. With the immense increase of our population, our church must try to keep pace, although our clergy are too few, and our pecuniary resources are comparatively small. Yet there are peculiarities of our church, and of her system of government and of worship, which commend her to thoughtful men, and by which, through many discouragements she wins her way to confidence and respect. May we take heart, and, by our fidelity, make her, through God's benediction, as a city set on a hill, to which the weary pilgrims in the world's wastes may look for rest, or as a beacon-light, shining heavenward, for the guidance and blessing of the multitudes to whom we are sent with the message of grace and salvation.



FURTHER SUGGESTIONS
ON
CHURCH COMPREHENSIVENESS.

In my Annual Address of the last year I presented some Suggestions on Church Comprehensiveness, as bearing upon the discussions which are agitating our church at the present time. The views then presented were the subject of considerable attention and criticism in the church, and letters from influential men of quite divergent opinions and sympathies, in other dioceses, were received, accepting those views as the basis of a still more liberal comprehension in our Apostolic communion. Our church papers, also, took up the subject, and there was a general agreement as to the soundness of the positions maintained. From the comments of the press, and from the letters received, I find, from one side of our church, but two objections of any importance to the special application of the principles there asserted, as I made it, to the matter of Liturgical revision in its relation to our Baptismal formularies. I find a third objection, coming from the other side of our church, in reference to the danger of legalizing new liberty, in both the directions towards which large portions of our church, on its two extremes, are tending.

I wish to give a brief reply to these objections, and thus to shew that the positions advanced are held securely and unanswerably.

The ground assumed and defended is, that as the visible church is, in the scriptural representations, and in

the nature of things, one, so her entire outward system of Ritual, including Formularies, and also her Canonical Legislation, should be so arranged as to embody, and make it possible to embody, in one communion and fellowship, all the sincere disciples of Christ, who, by the one baptism, are members of the one Holy Catholic Church visible. In other words, the basis of Church Comprehensiveness should be only that which is essential to be believed and to be done, as touching faith and morals, while in regard to all things non-essential, large liberty and toleration should be permitted, both as to matters of opinion and as to matters of ceremonial order, within the unity of this grand comprehension. The nature of the church, abstractly considered with reference to its component parts, and the ends for which it is constituted, demands this. And the history of its primitive construction and outgrowth, as developed under the guidance of Apostolic inspiration, and as still perpetuated in a few of its important principles and fundamental precedents, is in accordance with the same position. An illustration of such a system, as requiring only essentials, is given in the form of the Apostles' Creed, and in the Vows of Baptism, which are the only conditions of admission to church membership, both of which substantially are historically traceable to the times of the New Testament inspiration, and thus shew us the mind of God in this matter. The question arises: If, in any particular, our present church system is not in harmony with this example, are we prepared so to modify it that it shall correspond with such a Divine model? Or, are we yet too narrow, and too little in sympathy with God's forbearance?

As a very important measure towards carrying out this principle of comprehensiveness in our church sys-

tem suggested by the exigencies of the times, nine of our bishops have recommended the authorizing of a discretionary alternative phraseology in that portion of our Office of Baptism of Infants, where the word, or certain forms of the word "regenerate" may occur.

To this recommendation there are, I have said, only two serious objections.

I. The first of the two objections referred to is, that *the effect of an alternative phrase is to interpret the other phrases, and thus to fix the sense within more exact and less open limits than before.**

An example is given in the Rubric on the Creed: "Any churches may omit the words, *he descended into hell*, or may, instead of them use the words, *he went into the place of departed spirits*, which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed," the last phrase interpreting and fixing the sense of the former.

I reply, that alternative phrases *may*, or *may not be*, interpretative.

The Rubric on the Creed just quoted names two alternatives, one of which is not, and the other of which is, interpretative.

1. The former is to "omit" entirely a phrase which some persons do or did not approve. In doing this there is surely no attempt at an interpretation. It is a permission not to use the phrase at all, to drop out those words and with them their sense altogether, because to many minds it is or was exceptionable. The church, retaining the words, as the rule, always utters *her* creed entire. The church, permitting an alternative, simply allows a Christian *for himself* (not for her), slightly to modify that Creed, in order to meet the necessity of his

* This objection is felt by many minds, and has been ably set forth in a notice of my "Suggestions" by the *Church News* of St. Louis and by the *American Churchman* of Milwaukee and Chicago.

individual conscience. *His omitting* does not interpret *her retaining*. Would it not be equally wise in the church to-day to act upon this precedent, and allow those, to whom the word "regenerate" in the Baptismal Office is very exceptionable, to "omit" that word if they desire to do so? And, if this can be allowed in the Creed, why not in a formulary less catholic, less dogmatic, less sacred?

2. But there is a second alternative, which is to substitute for the unacceptable phrase "*he descended into hell,*" another phrase given in the Rubric, "*he went into the place of departed spirits.*"

In this example is the case of an alternative phrase, which is *clearly interpretative*. Why? Because *it is declared to be so* by the concluding clause of the Rubric, "*which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed.*" *This clause makes it interpretative*, and fixes an English sense in accordance with the definite sense of the original. If this last interpreting clause had been omitted, these two phrases might very fairly have admitted two very different, although not contradictory, senses in this part of the Creed, since the phrases in themselves are not necessarily identical in their meaning.

3. Let us now take another case of *an alternative phrase not interpretative*. There are, in the communion office, two proper Prefaces for Trinity Sunday, discretionary and alternative, but not in any sense interpretative, except in that loosest sense in which, from the harmony of all truth, whatsoever may be correctly said upon any doctrine tends to throw light upon whatsoever else may be correctly said upon the same. But these two alternatives are not designed to interpret each other. They are *different*, although not contradictory, *aspects*

of a great and many-sided truth. One presents the philosophical and formal statement of the doctrine of the Trinity, the other presents the simply scriptural, and in the best sense experimental statement of the same doctrine. One presents it, as in the discussions of the old ages it was finally, after many centuries, evolved in its dogmatic perfection; the other presents it, as it has been received from the beginning, in the simple worship and personal faith of believers. One states it as the abstract and true; the other states it as the practical and equally true. Thus many minds, with varying modes of thought, and of peculiar individual experiences, are helped, while at the same time *more sides* of the same truth, more aspects of the many-sided truth, are exhibited and set forth by the church.

4. Still another case of the same sort is found in the two forms used in the Ordering of Priests. These are discretionary and alternative, yet no one can for a moment speak of them as interpretative in any strict sense. The diversity of the two forms is universally acknowledged, and there have been serious controversies between their several advocates. While both agree in the conferring of authority to execute the office of a priest, they are clearly designed to meet the diverse views which exist in the church as to the nature and extent of the presbyter's office.

5. There is a view of this whole subject strangely overlooked, already referred to in part, bearing upon this argument, namely, that *there are many aspects of the same truth; and these various aspects may be very properly provided for by alternative phrases.* Few men receive all the aspects of any single truth. One man sees a truth in one aspect, another man sees it in another aspect. These several aspects are not necessarily op-

posed to each other, nor do they necessarily interpret each other. Why may not the church, by sufficient alternatives, allow these varying aspects of the same truth to be unfolded and asserted, permitting those who hold one view, to utter it, and those who hold another view, to utter that? Apply this to Baptism. Some men see regeneration in Baptism, in an external change of state, wrought by the Holy Spirit externally and officially, as the present Paraclete in the place of the ascended Christ. Others see it in a change of spiritual tendencies or even of character wrought by the Holy Spirit in His sanctifying agency. Others see it, by a combination of these two views, in the new covenant relations and opportunities. Some, again, see more clearly the effects of the dedication of a child to God, and, in connexion with that, the power of faith and of prayer. Others realize more distinctly, and without any close analysis, the simple idea of a church membership, with more or less of privilege. And so on. While *all* agree in *only one* thing, the *only really essential* thing in the whole question, namely, that by Baptism the person baptized is made a member of the church visible. Do these contradict each other? May they not *all* be holding the *whole* truth, while holding, *severally*, only partial and *different* aspects of that whole truth? Is it not right to allow each Christian to utter his own clear view, and not to compel him to utter other views which he does not fully realize? Such compulsion to utter and assent to words and statements, whose sense is not clear, has always been objected to by Churchmen, when in controversy with other systems, and has been urged as a very strong argument against requiring a profession of belief in philosophical isms, as terms of communion. While the church may hold all truth, scriptural and philosophical if she chooses, each

individual should be required to say only that part of all truth which he distinctly apprehends and really believes. This can be accomplished by an alternative phraseology, by which, while the church shall tolerate and present all the aspects of the truth in her whole teaching, she at the same time will allow each person honestly to say that and that only which he receives.

6. Looking at the analogies in our existing Formularies, it appears that an alternative phrase is not necessarily nor generally interpretative; that, when interpretative, such phrases are declared to be so; and that they are generally designed to allow a larger instead of a more limited variety in the definitions of doctrine.

After all, if there were really any danger in the direction here indicated by the objectors, it would be perfectly easy to obviate it by inserting in the Rubric which should authorize the discretionary phraseology, a statement to the effect that, in allowing these alternative forms, it is not intended to interpret the other phrases, nor to propose any change in the doctrine of Baptism as hitherto received in the church. And thus, while individual consciences would be relieved, and the church would allow her members to remain honest in the expression of their personal views, the whole question of the special and peculiar effect of baptism (apart from church membership, *the one and only point* on which all are agreed) is left still in the Prayer Book as in the Scriptures, undecided, as it has been from the beginning, and as it will be so long as the church probationary shall walk "by faith and not by sight."

7. And here, although it be a little on one side of the rubrical argument to which we confine ourselves, yet as suggested by the general course of remark, I must put the question to my brethren: Is the forced retention of

a word, or the absolutely compulsory use of a word, *which has no meaning whatsoever in our Service*, which no one, be he bishop, priest, or layman, can authoritatively explain and define as the fixed and universally accepted meaning of the word in our church, worth all the contention and hard feeling and all the tendency to separation and disruption, which are manifested so extensively in this day?

I ask, very seriously, What is the real, fixed, undisputed meaning of the word "regenerate" in our Baptismal Service? To quote great names, Bishop Hobart gives me one meaning, Dr. Pusey gives me another, very different. Which is right? Shall I add other names? Which two of our bishops, or of our presbyters, or of our learned laymen, will give me exactly the same answer? Does not the practice of this church tolerate each man in his individual answer, however it differs from the answers of other men? The word, then, has no fixed authoritative meaning; if so, then, the word has no meaning, simply kept from old habit, and repeated because—it is in the book. I admit, it is proper to repeat it, because it *is* in the book, even if it has no fixed meaning, or if it has a dozen meanings, as each man interprets it for himself. But, is it right or wise to keep it in the book, incommutable, and as an occasion for penalties, itself meaning nothing? While I may use it in a sense that suits me, and another may use it in a sense that suits him, shall a third man, as good and as valuable as either of us, perhaps better and more valuable than both of us, who is not willing to invent or to apply to it a meaning satisfactory to himself, and who cannot conscientiously assign to it any meaning but what he disapproves, be obliged to use it? If its sense were fixed in the church,

and it involved an essential truth, or were necessary to the Sacrament, the case would be different. As it is, ought he not to be permitted to omit it, or to substitute for it some other appropriate word or expression that has a meaning, and that may suit him? Shall his standing in the church, or even his holy ministry, a gift from the Spirit of God, be endangered for *such* a word? Is not here a strong argument for the alternative phraseology asked for in the Baptismal office?

II. The second objection to an alternative phrase in the Baptismal office is, that *it may frequently involve a conflict between the will of the pastor and that of the parent or person presenting an infant.**

This objection simply admits that there is some difficulty to be met in arranging so important a matter, and there is need of wisdom in preparing the Rubric for the case. But there are difficulties in every duty, and wisdom overcomes difficulties.

1. The same objection might be urged, and doubtless was urged, against some of our present Rubrics, but no practical trouble has ever come from them. For instance, in the Rubric on the Creed, the same difference between the clergyman and the layman might arise. The Rubric directs: "Any churches may omit the words, etc., or may, instead of them, use the words, etc." Some suppose that this requires the dioceses, as being churches, to initiate action, and authorize the "discretion" within their limits. But such has not been the interpretation of usage. Others more correctly, probably, suppose *congregations*, as including minister and people acting by joint consent, to be intended. In either

* A distinguished Doctor of Divinity, President of a Standing Committee and a Deputy to the General Convention, states the objection strongly in these words: "A layman desires baptism for his child, the pastor cannot conscientiously use the Service as it now stands, the layman cannot assent to the use of the alternative phrase. What is to be done in such a case?"

of these interpretations, in both which concurrent action of the clergy and laity is supposed to be required, the decision of the clergy, even theoretically, is always essential, if not conclusive. But, whatever may have been the original purpose, the decision has, practically, been left with the clergy, according to the general analogy of our discretionary forms.

At the time when our Prayer Book was adopted, the controversy, which this Rubric was designed to compose and relieve, was very serious, probably quite as serious as the controversy of the present day in reference to the use of the word "regenerate." The very indefiniteness of the Rubric, as giving increased liberty, was, as far as it went, an advantage. The practical effect of the Rubric was to give to every member of the congregation, whatever was the custom in the desk, a consciousness of liberty, and not unfrequently both forms were quietly used by the people in the same congregation. The writer well remembers one of the best of men, and a most devoted churchman, and a life-long friend of his pastor, who, from the influence of his inherited prejudice, always closed his lips, when this clause in the Creed was read, as it always was read, by the pastor. He was satisfied. He felt that the Rubric, in its spirit and general design, justified him, and he was none the less a churchman for using the liberty which he supposed the Rubric gave him. His individual conscience was at rest, and he was willing that others should enjoy their liberty, as he did his, under this Rubric of peace. And in those days, not many years ago, pastors were wise enough, and kindly enough, not to press points of rubrical conformity, where there might be some doubt admitted, to the extent of driving good men out of the church.

And there are, God be thanked, many such wise and kind pastors now.

In this Rubric on the Creed, we certainly have a case in which the preferences of the pastors and the people would be very likely, even constantly, to come in conflict. In this case the tastes, or preferences, or convictions, of all the individual members of a whole congregation were to be consulted, or at least were involved, whereas, in the proposed Rubric as to the word "regenerate," only the single party presenting the child is concerned. Yet in this more complicated case, no practical difficulty has been ever felt. A rule being settled by the Rubric, and the principle of liberty implied in it being admitted, the church accommodates herself to the rule, and finds somehow the relief which is intended.

2. As another instance, among our present Rubrics, where the objection here referred to may apply, we call attention to the Rubric allowing discretion as to the use of the sign of the cross in Baptism: "If those who present the infant desire the sign of the cross to be omitted, although the church knows no worthy cause of scruple concerning the same, yet in that case the minister may omit that part of the above, &c."

Leaving the argument for a moment, we call special observation to the fact here exhibited, that *our church positively affirms that "scruples" ought to be respected and provided for in the Rubrical system or Ritual of the church.* She thus affirms that conscience is a sacred thing, not to be despised as a qualm of weakness, not to be sneered at as the obstinacy of fools, nor to be stamped upon by the high heel of authority. Even conscience in little things is to be prudently and gently dealt with, not to be snubbed and ridiculed and brought to trial and excommunicated.

“Scruples” on points of religious doctrine or practice are always presumable to both clergy and laity, and ought to be provided for in any true church system, as was done at the council in Jerusalem, for an example to future ages. With the laity, from their circumstances, “scruples” as to things generally received are not so common, nor are they held with such intense earnestness of conviction as with the clergy. From the general character of the clergy as men of self-sacrifice, from the nature of their profession, and from their engrossedness with theological subjects and divine worship, these “scruples” are more common with them, and more strongly enlist the conscience and sense of duty. And as a wise mother avoids driving her earnest child into antagonism by direct and needless opposition, so a wise mother church will regard with great tenderness such “scruples,” and will provide for them with gentleness and fidelity.

Returning to our argument, we remark, that, before this Rubric as to the use of the sign of the cross was prepared, since the “scruple” alluded to was held, and likely to be held by both clergymen and laymen, it must have been a very grave question to our law makers, how to harmonize the rights of the two orders, as to the *discretion* aimed at, so that both pastor and people should be satisfied. And the result finally reached, if not perfect in itself, yet practically met the necessities of the case, recognizing the abstract principle, that each order has really a right in the matter. For, a *discretion* was allowed, *first* to the layman, who shall “desire the sign of the cross to be omitted,” and *next* to the minister or pastor, who, in such a case, “*may* omit,” (not imperatively “*shall* omit”) the sign. Both minister and layman have a right of judging and acting according to con-

science in the matter, and the judgment and conscience of both must concur to effect the "omission."

If the parties fail to concur, a remedy is at hand, not stated in the words of the Rubric (as perhaps would have been best) but necessitated by the existence of the Rubric, and growing out of it, as we shall presently see. For, the force of the Rubric went much further than its mere words express. It announced a principle that the consciences or preferences—the "*scruples*"—of both the clergy and the laity are to be respected and provided for. And thus it came to pass, that *not only concurrently, but separately*, the discretion was exercised by both pastors and people. If the layman's "scruple" led him to desire the omission, and the pastor's "scruple" led him to refuse the omission, or if, on the other hand, the layman's "scruple" led him to desire the use of the sign, and the pastor's "scruple" led him to desire its omission, the remedy was very simple, and became privileged, as of course,—that the layman could take and present the child to some other clergyman whose "scruple" coincided with his own.

And how soon, under this broad toleration of scruples, the scruple itself passed away? If it had been denied and brow-beaten and unprovided for, it might, in due time, have grown and rent the church, as scruples of even less significance have done under the restraining and persecuting hand of intolerance; and, as the present "scruples" in the church in regard to the word "regenerate" may do, under the pressure of the same iron and unreasoning rule. Shall not such a measure of wisdom, in the very history of our own church, teach its lesson to us?

In looking at this Rubric, we observe that the final and decisive "discretion" is left with the minister.

And this leads us to the principle upon which all discretionary Rubrics must be framed, namely, that the final discretion must be with the clergy. And this proceeds from the fact, that the officiating clergyman, in conducting any service, is not a mere mouth-piece for others, but must have a personal conscience in the words which he uses, and in the service which he performs. This principle must be recognized in the preparation of all Rubrics having reference to discretionary alternative forms. The last and decisive "discretion" must be with the clergyman. The principle above evolved requires this, and the analogy of all such forms in the prayer-book sustains the principle.

We have learned, then, if it be desirable to have a Rubric, which shall authorize an alternative phrase whenever the word "regenerate" occurs in the Baptismal office, how such a Rubric should, so far as this second objection is concerned, be constructed. It will allow to the laity as well as to the clergy, a "discretion," as in other cases is now done. It will make the "discretion" of the clergy final and decisive, as is now done; and if in any case the "scruples" of the pastor and layman do not coincide, it will allow the layman to present his child for baptism to some clergyman with whose usage the layman is satisfied.

From the considerations under this and the previous head, I am satisfied that a Rubric can be made, free from all reasonable exceptions, guarded as to all reasonable misconstructions, accomplishing all reasonable expectations, and bringing a blessing to the church as a Rubric of Peace.

III. The third and last objection, which I propose to consider, comes from a quarter in the church directly opposite to that from which the objections previously

stated, proceed. It is the fear of consequences from the views of church comprehensiveness which we have presented—*the danger of opening the door to ritualistic errors in doctrine by legalizing* in that direction certain liberties in ritual practice.*

1. The substance of our argument is—that the true idea of a perfect church visible, as we in this church should endeavor to realize it, is, that, holding in its standards the scriptural and primitive Faith, and retaining in use the true Sacraments, and having in fact the Apostolic Ministry, it should, in its entire system, be fitted to invite and include all who will assume the Baptismal vows of Repentance or renunciation of sin, of Faith in the cardinal facts of the gospel as contained in the Apostles' Creed, and of Self-consecration to the service of God in dependence upon divine grace. Arranging its system in harmony with these comprehensive terms of communion, it should avoid, as far as possible, mere philosophical formulas and doubtful interpretations of scripture, requiring compliance only in things essential, and leaving large liberty as to matters, both of doctrine and of practice, which are not essential. Upon the basis of these principles, its formularies should be constructed, and its canons of discipline and government should be prepared.

I do sincerely believe, that as a church, and having reference to all its members clerical and lay, the system of our church approaches nearer to this true ideal than any other. But we have not yet recovered it, as it was in the Apostolic days, by any means; for, while our laity are very free, indeed too free, from that ecclesiastical discipline which should always enforce a high and pure morality, yet our clergy, as an order, are too much

*This objection has been set forth very effectively in a series of articles, addressed to me, in "The Episcopalian," of Philadelphia, by a Western Presbyterian.

hampered, by legislative restraints, in the exercise of their ministerial functions. As to the subjects and style of *preaching*, they are as free as men need to be. But as to conducting and arranging for *public worship*, with all its varieties of times and places and occasions and circumstances, they are too much restricted. There should be for them a much more enlarged power, not only of choice between things prescribed, but of absolute discretion—a right of using their own judgment subject to their own sense of loyalty to the church, that they may be able to obey the Apostolic precept: “Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit, in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.” Under the present system of restraint, with so little really allowed to their prudence and their convictions of fitness, and the consequent sense of responsibility, and of manly and individual development, it is almost a wonder, that they do not reverse the precept. It is certainly a surprise, that the clergy, as an order, do not demand relief from this perpetual Canonical and Rubrical surveillance as to everything in regard to worship, and insist that they be *trusted*, as men should be, and as other orders and ranks in the church are, as to something.

At all events, we should arrange our system, to allow a more free play for tastes and tendencies, and personal peculiarities of mind and of moral temperament, especially in the directions of the great historic schools in the church, and if there be danger in trusting the clergy with a general and unrestricted discretion, there should be such an increase of Rubrical and discretionary variety, as is demanded by the necessities of the times, and by the real nature and design of the Christian church, in which her ministers, like St. Paul, are to be “made all

things to all men that they may by all means save some."

2. Just here comes in the objection. Granting, that it is right that our system should be enlarged as here suggested, yet, if we depart from present compromises, may not the majorities in our Legislative councils, for the sake of pacificating the extreme Ritualists, go too far, and authorize and provide for the holding of their extreme views to such an extent, that men of the Evangelical school, so called, can not conscientiously fraternize with these extremists in the same Communion? If the doctrinal views of the extreme Ritualists are substantially the same with those of the church of Rome, excepting the acknowledgment of the sole Episcopate of the Bishop of Rome or the Supremacy of the Pope, and, if these views are allowed to be preached in our pulpits, and customs illustrating and impressing these views be allowed to be introduced into our Ritual, will not the Protestant and therefore Catholic character of our church be thus subverted, and men of Evangelical views be therefore compelled to withdraw from its communion when thus subverted?

3. I reply, that a change so radical as is here supposed can not possibly occur in this church, *from the nature of the church itself*. For the identity of this church is in its being Protestant as well as Episcopal. If it *could* cease (an impossibility) to be Protestant, I do not mean in name merely, but in reality, it would cease to be the same church; and those in it true to its identity, however they might be a minority, would be justified in maintaining this identity, and letting the Separatists, however numerous, go. Protestantism in this church, and as this church is related to it, is simply not Romanism; in other words, it is Catholic antiquity and Catholic

Truth in opposition to Roman novelty and Roman error. *Ages ago*, before the Roman error was developed, Catholic truth could exist without being Protestant. But *now* a church to be Catholic must be Protestant. It is Protestant because it is Catholic. It can not be Catholic unless it is Protestant. However far our legislators may go in providing for all that variety of doctrine or of ritual which is consistent with Catholic diversity (as, for example, views on the Lord's Supper, ranging from that of a simple memorial to the Lutheran view of consubstantiation, or ranging through the various views and expressions of the Ancient Fathers, or of the English and Continental Reformers of the last three centuries), they cannot ever affirm nor admit the dogmas of the church of Rome. For, a change of the majority to Roman error, if submitted to, would destroy the identity of this church, and, therefore, such a change, if possible, would leave the effectual remedy, as we have stated it, in the hands of the unsubmissive minority.

4. But, I reply, secondly, that so extreme a change of doctrine and ritual, as is here deprecated, is really not possible in this church, *because the heart of this church, of its clergy and of its laity, is soundly Protestant.* The clergymen and laymen who really love Rome, are comparatively few. The different houses in the General Convention represent the whole church, and their powers are admirably balanced. Read the last pastoral letter of the House of Bishops, carefully prepared, and adopted with unanimity; and you see that Romanism can never become the law. Look over the men who make up the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and you see, that however conservative and timid in some things, or however partizan and imperious in other things, they can not be other than

Protestant. Read the church papers, weeklies and quarterlies, and you see the change of tone, the growing readiness to recognize the dangers, the increasing disposition to consider propositions of compromise, the outspoken readiness to make some concessions to conscientious scruples, the very manifest tendency to consider and discuss questions, which a year or two ago were regarded as almost sealed against any examination. The great majority in the church have Christian principles, and some brotherly affections. Our people have been generally and gradually educated, although the idea has not always taken definite shape, into the idea of comprehension. Division is dreaded. Separation is not to be thought of. We have so much of liberty, it will not be hard to give more. I speak my own convictions—that the next General Convention will utter its thunder of rebuke against the despicable spirit of persecution, and that the rights of those who differ in the church will be if not fully, yet further than ever before, guaranteed and provided for, in a more liberal and fraternal legislation. We shall see.

APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALLEN COUNTY.

Emmanuel Church, Humboldt. Vacant. Reported by the Wardens.

Families, 20; individuals, 11.
Baptisms; infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5.
Confirmed, 3. Communicants, 25.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :
By the Ladies' Society, for church purposes.....\$319.00

This parish was organized by the Rev. John K. Dunn, rector of Trinity Church, Lawrence, December 19th, 1870. Since then services have been occasionally held by Mr. Dunn; on one Sunday by the Rev. D. W. Cox, of Manhattan, and on another by the Bishop of the Diocese. We have secured a spacious and elegant hall in which to hold services, until we can build a church. We have determined to enter upon that work as soon as a resident clergyman can be obtained, and have already secured three fine lots for a church and rectory. We think that such an opportunity for building up our church as is now offered in Humboldt, is seldom found in any community. We have here the nucleus of a strong and enterprising parish, and all we need is the presence and guidance of a pastor. We are anxious to press forward, and feel sure that if we had a leader we could soon attain to parochial prosperity and independence.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, Rector.

Families, 62; individuals, 23.
Baptisms: Infants, 20; adults, 1; total, 21.
Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 45; added, 10; died or removed, 1; present number, 54.

Sunday School: Officers, 10; scholars, 80; total, 90.

Communion alms.....	\$81.25
Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
Old debt on parsonage outlawed by statute.....	\$250.00
Sunday School.....	105.40
Church yard and fence.....	359.90
Expended on church.....	\$250.00
Carried forward.....	\$900.30

	Brought forward.....	\$900.30
Objects without the parish :		
	Special contribution for Foreign Missions.....	\$100.00
	Special contribution for Domestic Missions.....	100.00
	Special contribution for Topeka Seminary.....	150.00
	Special contribution for churches in Kansas.....	400.09
	Assessments for conventions.....	37.70
	Diocesan missions.....	80.00
	Church in Nebraska.....	7.00
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		\$874.70
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		<hr/>
		\$1,856.25

During the past year the church has received from Mr. S. Lenox Tredwell, of Southport, Connecticut, in memoriam of his wife, a beautiful and very expensive marble font, of simple pattern and elegant workmanship; a gift which adds much to the adornment of the house of God.

The church land has also been inclosed with a handsome fence, and planted with shade trees.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, Rev. ARCHIBALD BEATTY, Rector.

Families, 33; individuals, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5.

Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 6. Burials, 12.

Communicants: Last reported, 44; added, 7; died or removed 12; present number, 39.

Sunday School: Teachers, 11; scholars, 58; total, 69.

Communion alms...		\$42.00
Contributions—Objects within the parish :		
	Church debt.....	\$95.83
	Paid on parsonage.....	375.00
	For fencing grounds.....	175.00
	Sunday School collections.....	87.91
	Incidental expenses.....	120.60
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		\$854.34
Objects without the parish :		
	Diocesan missions.....	\$10.80
	Domestic missions.....	15.00
	Convention fund.....	35.00
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		\$60.80

Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$957.14
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The church edifice is now free from debt, and the lot is inclosed with a substantial fence. A small amount yet remains to be paid on the parsonage, but the earnest zeal of the ladies of the congregation will soon liquidate this, and we hope, during the coming year, to complete the tower, and make other needed improvements. A room has also been added to the church, and shade trees planted in the inclosure.

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension Burlington, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 24; individuals, 10.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 3; total, 12.

Confirmed, 8. Burials, 1.

Communicants added, 8; died or removed, 1; present number 40.

Communion alms.....		\$34.75
Contributions—Objects within the parish:		
Incidental expenses.....	\$30.00	
Finishing and furnishing church.....	374.50	
Sunday School papers.....	4.50	
		\$409.00
Objects without the parish:		
Foreign missions.....	\$3.75	
Diocesan missions.....	10.65	
Church Missionary Society.....	5.50	
		\$19.90
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$428.90

Very much is due to the ladies of this church for raising funds to finish it, and remove all debts in order to its consecration. They have been almost untiring in their labors, and under the blessing of God, have now secured to themselves a neat and comfortable church; and while thus laboring for the temporal good of Zion, they have not been forgotten in spiritual blessings. It was a joyful occasion, when on the Saturday evening preceding the consecration of the church, eight persons came forward to ratify their baptismal vows in the Apostolic rite of confirmation. May that same spirit of God which moved their hearts, lead large multitudes to the same decision to "stand up for Jesus."

There have been presented to the parish by friends abroad, \$23 in money, one pulpit Bible, and one prayer book for the desk, and several small prayer books; forty six yards of carpeting, and about eighteen yards of matting; two alms basins, several books of church music, a book of sermons for lay reading, and ten dollars towards lamps, and three chandelier rods.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, Rector elect and Missionary.

Families, 12.

Communicants: Present number, 11.

Sunday School: Teachers, 8; scholars, 80; total, 88; average attendance, 40

Objects within the parish:	
For Sunday School, about.....	\$40.00
For church building (by holding fair).....	200.00
Total of contributions.....	\$240.00

This parish was admitted into union with the Convention, May 10th, 1871.
WM. H. WARNER, Senior Warden.

DAVIS COUNTY.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. CHARLES REYNOLDS, D.D., Minister in charge.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5.

Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 22; added, 11; died or removed, 3; present number, 30.

Communion alms.....	\$37.25
Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
Payments on the new organ.....	\$200.00
Sunday school offerings towards a bell.....	41.83
Sunday school offerings for Sunday school books.....	8.10
Contributed by parish for Sunday school books.....	43.00
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	\$292.93
Objects without the parish :	
For diocesan missions.....	\$31.40
For diocesan assessment.....	25.00
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	\$56.40
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$386.58

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence, Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, Rector.

Families, 69 : individuals, 30.	
Baptisms : Infants, 13 ; adults, 3 ; total, 16.	
Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 5. Burials, 15.	
Communicants : Last reported, 87 ; added, 35 ; died or removed, 15 ; present number, 107.	
Sunday School : Teachers and officers, 8 ; scholars, 115 ; total, 123.	
Communion alms (less \$2.63 included below).....	\$123.45
Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
Subscriptions and donations to building new church...\$3,362.02	
By the ladies: Profits of fruit supper, (Sept. '70).. \$83.65	
Socials, interest, &c.....	161.79
Ten cent fund.....	171.52
By Sunday school for building fund.....	204.82
By the parish for Sunday school Christmas tree.....	73.00
Profits of Sunday school picnic (August, 1870).....	30.10
Christmas decorations.....	15.30
Surplices and stole.....	25.00
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	\$4,127.20
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan missions.....	\$100.00
Am. Church Missionary Society (Domestic Missions)..	50.00
Foreign Missions.....	50.00
Evangelical Educational Society.....	29.28
Evangelical Knowledge Society.....	28.28
Diocesan assessment.....	50.00
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	\$307.56
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$4,558.21

* The Ladies' Society of the Parish has subscribed, and nearly paid the sum of \$1,000 towards the new church building, which is counted in "subscriptions and donations" reported above, as being included under other heads in this report, and in the parochial reports of the last two years. Of the \$3,362.02 reported above, \$436.48 have been donated by friends without the parish.

We have, during the past year, entered upon the important work of building a new church. Ground was broken for the foundations, in May last, and the

work has been pressed forward as rapidly as the funds could be raised. The corner stone was laid by the Bishop of the diocese, November 10, 1870. There have been expended on the building up to this date, May 10, 1871, \$4,033.82. The walls are now partially up, and a plan has been accepted for a loan, by which, together with what can be raised by further subscriptions and donations, it is expected to complete the building at an early day.

The parish is probably in as good a condition as it can be with its present limited accommodations. Our congregations are large, and our membership is steadily increasing. The Sunday school has been very prosperous and interesting throughout the past year, and our parish school has continued in steady operation with the usual attendance.

ELLSWORTH COUNTY.

Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, Rev. W. VAUX, Minister in charge.

Families, 13; individuals, 40.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Communicants: Present number, 12.

Sunday school: Teachers, 5; scholars, 35; total, 40.

The Rev. Wm. Vaux, of Fort Harker, officiates in this parish on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Lay reading on intermediate Sundays. There are no regular offerings.

JAS. MILLER, Warden.

GREENWOOD COUNTY.

St. Thomas' Church, Eureka, Rev. C. E. D. GRIFFITH, Rector.

Families, 24; individuals, 12.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.

Burials, 4.

Communicants, 24.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 56; total, 63.

Communion alms.....	\$7.45
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For seats and fitting up hall.....	\$85 00
For organ.....	52 00
For Sunday school books.....	27.31
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	\$164.31
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$171.76

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, and Free Chapel of St. John, Leavenworth, Rev. J. M. KENDRICK, Rector. Rev. KINNEY HALL, Assistant Minister.

Families, 111, individuals, 36.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 3; total, 16.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11.

Communicants: Last reported, 117; added, 44; died or removed, 24, present number, 137.

Sunday School: Teachers, 20; scholars, 140; total, 160.

Communion Alms (for charitable uses).....	\$36.10
Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
For extension of church of St. Paul.....	\$533.65
For St. John's Chapel (not including amount received from Ladies' Society).....	449.83
From Ladies' Society (mainly for St. John's Chapel)...	237.50
For choir screen.....	100.00
For payment of old debt.....	500.00
For Sunday school Christmas tree.....	100.00
	<u>\$1,970.98</u>
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan Missionary Committee.....	\$125.10
In aid of parishes outside the diocese.....	11.00
For Convention assessment.....	75.00
For Domestic Committee (mite boxes).....	18.00
	<u>\$229.10</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$2,236.18</u>

The report of families and communicants includes, in accordance with the Bishop's direction, four families and six communicants, who are resident at Fort Leavenworth. It is also proper to state that twelve of the communicants reported reside outside of the county, but at towns in the diocese where there are no parishes, and are, by the Bishop's direction, included in the report. During the year St. John's Chapel has been built; of which the Rev. Kinney Hall, who has been elected Assistant Minister of the parish, has the charge. The foundation for the extension of the church of St. Paul, has been laid, and there is a good prospect that the church will be completed (excepting the tower) before another winter. During most of the year, the Rector has officiated on Sunday evenings at the Post Chapel, at Fort Leavenworth.

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 21; individuals, 6.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Marriages, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 9; added, 17; removed, 2; present number, 25.

Sunday School: Teachers, 4; scholars, 18; total, 22.

Communion alms.....	\$30.75
Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
For church building.....	\$1,525.00
For cabinet organ	131.00
For rent of room and contingent expenses.....	71.00
	<u>\$1,727.00</u>
Objects without the parish :	
For Foreign Missions.....	\$1.75
For Diocesan Missions.....	15.00
For Church Missionary Society.....	7.00
For Diocesan assessments.....	10.00
	<u>\$33.75</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$1,791.50</u>

Since the meeting of the last Annual Convention, the parish of St. Andrew's church, Emporia, have commenced, and so far carried on the work of church building, that they have the church (28x60 feet, brick, and gothic) now erected, enclosed, and floor laid. But their means are now exhausted. The work and material thus far, has cost about \$3,000, for \$1,000 of which we are indebted to the very liberal donation of Miss — Shields, of St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia, Pa. The parish is weak, financially, and with great difficulty the present work has been accomplished. Unless we can obtain some more help from abroad, it is not seen how we can so far proceed with our work as to be able to occupy the church. We pray God to put it into the hearts of His people to aid us in our need. While our prospects are encouraging, we cannot hope for any great increase of our congregation until we are able to worship in our new church.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, Wamego, Rev. JAMES H. LEE, Missionary.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.

Confirmed, 6.

Communicants: Last reported, 4; added, 8; present number, 12.

Communion alms.....		\$19.75
Contributions—Objects within the parish:		
For Sunday School.....	\$75.00	
For testimonial to minister.....	60 00	
For organ.....	150.00	
		\$285.00
Objects without parish:		
For Diocesan Missions.....	\$8.00	
		\$8.00
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$312.75

Service has been held here seventeen times—fifteen by the Missionary and twice by the Bishop.

During the last few months an unwonted degree of interest has been manifested by the people for the welfare and growth of the parish. It is hoped that before the close of the year, by God's blessing, they will have a house of worship completed.

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, Rev. DANIEL W. COX, Rector.

Families, 36; individuals, 12.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 8.

Communicants: Last reported, 54; added, 12; died or removed, 4; present number, 62.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 50; total, 56.

Communion alms.....		\$30.50
Contributions—Objects within the parish:		
For organist.....	\$50.00	
For carpeting church.....	48.18	
For church repairs.....	27.00	
	Carried forward.....	\$125.18

Objects without the parish :	
For Diocesan Missions.....	\$8.00
For Foreign Missions.....	20.50
For Convention fund.....	25.00
American Church Missionary Society.....	10.00
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	\$63.50
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$219.18

During the past year, by the blessing of our Heavenly Father, a much greater interest than ordinary has been manifested in reference to the prosperity of our church. The average attendance has steadily increased, until we have quite a goodly number present at the public services. What we most need is such a deep and abiding conviction of personal responsibility as will lead to more true generosity in the support of the public ministration. A good beginning, however, has been made in the right direction, and it is to be hoped that by perseverance we may do as much as our ability will reasonably permit.

I have held services at several different missionary stations during the year past. The most interesting and important of these is Humboldt, where I officiated one Sunday, and baptized two persons, and spent several days in preparing a class for confirmation, of whom three were afterwards confirmed by the Bishop. This rapidly growing city is a point of great importance so far as the interests of our church in Southern Kansas are concerned.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ Church, Salina, Rev. JAMES H. LEE, Missionary.

Families, 15.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; total, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; died or removed, 2; present number, 12.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
For testimonial to Minister.....	\$30.00
For church building fund.....	100.00
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	\$130.00
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan Missions.....	\$3.65
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	\$3.65
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$133.65

Services have been held here sixteen times by the present Missionary. A very encouraging degree of interest and activity prevails. It is proposed to build a church during the approaching summer.

SEDGWICK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wichita. Vacant.

Families, 20.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan Missions.....	\$9.69
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Total of alms and contributions.....	\$9.69

I commenced to hold the services twice every Sunday, in April, 1870, and continued till December, when we had to suspend them, as the log church where I was holding services, was too cold and damp—only having a sawdust floor, and we had no means to dry or warm it—(the lighting has been done at my own expense). On Easter Sunday I commenced services in a large room, and find a growing interest in the Episcopal services, and a better attendance. An active ordained minister is much needed here. We have six town lots donated to build a church on; also two others for the benefit of same church, and about \$700 subscribed, but not yet collected, towards the new building.

JOHN RICE HILTON, *Warden and Lay Reader.*

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Topeka. Vacant. Reported by the Wardens.

Families, 38; individuals, 11.
 Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.
 Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2.
 Communicants: Present number, 70.
 Sunday School: Teachers, 10; scholars, 60; total, 70.

Communion alms.....		\$34.60
Contributions—Objects within the parish.....	\$216.11	
		\$216.11
Objects without the parish:		
Diocesan Missions.....	\$94.42	
		\$94.42
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$345.13

Under the present disorganized condition of the parish, and not being familiar with the manner the records by the rector have been kept, the above is as nearly correct as practicable.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Einmanuel Church, Monmouth Township, Rev. J. N. LEE, Rector and Missionary.

Families, 16; individuals, 3.
 Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4.
 Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1.
 Communicants: Present number, 22.

Contributions—Objects within the parish (not including salary or current expenses:)		
For building church.....	\$169.87	
Labor—say.....	200.00	
		\$369.87
Objects without the parish:		
For Foreign Missions.....	\$3.00	
For Diocesan Missions.....	3.00	
For American Church Missionary Society.....	9.30	
		\$15.30
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$385.17

The last year has been a severe one for my little flock—"these few sheep in the wilderness." Several, whose "first houses" had to be replaced by something more substantial, were building for themselves; and crops in this region were very short.

Added to this, the season, last fall, when they expected to devote a good deal of time to the new church, was so rainy as to make work impracticable. Nevertheless, they are *going on with the church*. One elderly gentleman, an old builder, is doing the wood work, and as nice a job as the State can furnish—others quarry and draw the stone; others burn the lime; and every man, when he comes on an errand to Topeka, nine miles off, takes back in his wagon a load of sand—and so they all "work on the wall." I hope they will yet be made joyful in that little "House of Prayer."

WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, Rev. R. S. NASH, Rector.

Families, 28; individuals, 8.	
Baptisms: Infants, 4; total, 4.	
Marriages, 2.	
Communicants: Last reported, 27; added, 7; died or removed, 3; present number, 31.	
Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 35; total, 40.	
Communion alms.....	\$6.60
Objects within parish:	
Sunday School library, papers, &c.....	\$32.45
For Christmas tree—about.....	20.00
For presents to Rector.....	12.00
Miscellaneous expenses.....	34.22
	\$98.67
Objects without parish:	
Diocesan assessment.....	\$15.00
	\$15.00
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$120.27

I took charge of the parish in October last. The report is, of course, for the intervening time.

FORT RILEY.

Baptisms: Infants, 5.
Marriages, 3.
Burials, 6.

Rt. Rev. THOS. H. VAIL, D.D.:

DEAR SIR: I have the honor to report that I am continued on duty as Post Chaplain at this garrison. During the past year my duties have resembled those of a parochial clergyman, as the troops have been stationary, and a large number of the officers and their families, Episcopalians.

During the year I have attended six funerals, married three couples, and baptized five children.

CHARLES REYNOLDS,
Post Chaplain U. S. Army.

Rev. J. N. LEE, Principal of Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka, and
Missionary in Shawnee county.

I have, during the past year, preached sixty-eight times, and travelled 778 miles in my missionary work. In addition to my regular services at Monmouth, I have held services and preached occasionally at Dover, Auburn, and in the Wakarusa valley, but for want of time have not been able largely to enter into these inviting fields.

I would add that I have still been on duty as Principal of our Diocesan Female Seminary, which seems to receive encouraging favor from Heaven. The average attendance through the year has been about one hundred, with a considerable proportion of pupils from abroad, and a larger number than at any time previous as *resident pupils* under our own roof. These number now (including the children of the household) 125. We expect to graduate the present year, three. We have seven resident teachers.

J. N. LEE.

Rev. GEORGE D. HENDERSON, Chaplain United States Navy, Naval Hospital
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Individuals, 57.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 6.

Burials, 14.

Communicants, 17.

Bible Class: Teachers, 1; scholars, 9; total, 10.

Contributions \$33.00

Many of the ordinary statistics of a parish are here lacking, as will be understood by those familiar with the circumstances of a naval hospital, where men of various creeds and nations are temporarily thrown together. In such ministrations as these, there is constant occasion to recognize the Catholic nature of the church, and its world-wide adaptation. At the same time, the pleasure is often afforded of seeing with what cheerful hearts those who have been brought up among us, take up the old prayers and praises. Our special duty here may be said to be, to prepare the dying for death, and reanimate the religious life of those who go out from us again, for a more hopeful encounter with the world.

GEO. D. HENDERSON.

Rev. WM. H. HICKCOX, Leroy, Coffey county, Kansas.

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Burials, 2.

TO THE RT. REV. T. H. VAIL, D.D.:

Since the first of Septembr last, I have found something to do in the Master's vineyard, in the immediate neighborhood of my residence.

Having no particular charge, on the first of September I commenced missionary work in a school house situated in Coffey county, on one corner of my homestead, where, through the fall and winter, I held services every other Sunday, when the weather would permit, using the Mission Service. I also organized and conducted a Sunday school every Sunday. On the other Sundays I attended at Burlington, and assisted the Rector in the service. At Easter I accepted an invitation from the Rev. Dr. Reynolds to assist him in the work at Junction City.

WM. H. HICKCOX.

Burlington, Coffey county, Kansas. May 10th, 1871.

Rev. J. H. LEE. Professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan.

In discharging the duties of my professorship in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, I have been constantly employed during the past year.

Outside of these duties, the parochial reports of the parishes at Wamego and at Salina, will show how fully my Sundays have been occupied in missionary and ministerial duties.

J. H. LEE.

Rev. GEORGE TURNER, Missionary in the Northern counties.

Families, 17.

Baptisms, 8.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants, 25.

Contributions: Domestic Missions..... \$5.00

REV. AND BELOVED BISHOP:

Having but recently entered upon my new field of labor as Itinerant Missionary on the C. B., U. P. R. R., I cannot present an extensive report. Suffice for me to state that I find a large and uncultivated waste as far as church matters are concerned. But I rejoice that in my monthly visitations, in presenting the church with her inspiring and elevating service, the interest manifested is increasing. Since entering the field (January 1st) I have established the services of the church at six prominent points. One parish has been duly organized, and another in the process of organizing, with one person preparing for the ministry of the church. To God be all the praise.

Yours with profound respect,

GEORGE TURNER.

Hiawatha, Brown county, Kansas, May 10th, 1871.

Rev. D. O. KELLOGG, JR., Professor in the State University, Lawrence.

RT. REV. T. H. VAIL, D.D.:

DEAR SIR: The duties which I have performed since my transfer to your jurisdiction, and which I would report in accordance with the requirements of the canons, are as follows:

Occasional reading of the service and preaching at Oskaloosa, and at Trinity Church, Lawrence.

Occasional supply of Grace Church, Topeka, during the existing vacancy.

Regular instruction of classes in the State University of Kansas, in history and English literature.

Very faithfully and respectfully yours,

D. O. KELLOGG, JR.

Lawrence, May 4th, 1871.

Rev. WM. VAUX, Chaplain U. S. Army.

RT. REV. T. H. VAIL, D.D.:

DEAR SIR: As Chaplain in the U. S. Army, I can render to you no parochial statistics. The constant changes of troops, at a military post, prevents

much of pastoral influence, and the building up of our charge in the most holy faith. Still, it is presumed that the blessed Gospel is preached ; and although the seed of the Word be widely scattered, we may hope that some of it falls into good ground, and germinates, under distant skies, bringing forth the fruits of righteousness, to the glory of God.

It is so recently that I have become a member of the diocese of Kansas, that I can make but a meagre report.

At Fort Harker, I have one public service every Sunday, which is well attended. I have buried three soldiers ; baptized four infants, and celebrated the Holy Communion twice since Christmas. The greatest number of communicants who participated, was twelve.

The little church at Ellsworth, has not been forgotten. I have given two services a month, administered the Lord's Supper once, to six communicants, and baptized one infant.

There is little hope of gathering congregations in these little churches, in a sparse frontier settlement ; but many of them are witnesses of zeal perhaps not inferior to that ruder, but more pious age, when one in his devotion, said : "This stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house."

There is a useful and flourishing Sunday school at Ellsworth, and lay reading on most Sundays. And this is, perhaps, the very best beginning and earnest of future prosperity : "First, the blade"—and in our Lord's own good time, the little one may become a thousand.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM VAUX,
Chaplain U. S. A.

Fort Harker, Kansas, May 5th, 1871.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PLACE.	COUNTY.	Names of Churches.	FAMILIES.		INDIVIDUALS.		BAPTISMS.		CONFIRMED.			MARRIAGES.			BURIALS.			COMMUNICANTS.						SUNDAY SCHOOL.			CONTRIBUTIONS.				Total.
					Infants.	Adults.	Total.				Added.	Removed.	Present.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Communion alms.	Objects within the parish.	Objects without the parish.												
Archison	Atchison	Trinity	62	23	10	21	3	4	4	4	10	45	10	1	64	10	80	90	\$81.25	\$900.30	\$871.70							\$1,856.85			
Burlington	Coffey	Ascension	24	10	9	19	8	1	1	1	8	31	8	1	40	1	40	40	34.75	400.00	19.96							468.65			
Ellsworth	Ellsworth	Holy Apostles	13	40	2	42	1	1	1	1	1	11	1	1	12	5	35	40													
Emporia	Lyon	St. Andrew's	21	6	2	23	1	1	1	1	1	9	17	2	24	4	18	23	30.75	1,727.00	33.75										
Greenwood	Greenwood	St. Thomas'	24	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	24	7	56	63	7.45											1,791.50			
Fort Harker	Ellsworth	Post Chapel																										171.76			
Fort Scott	Borbon	St. Andrew's	33	20	4	1	5	1	6	12	44	7	12	39	11	58	69	42.00													
Girard	Lawford	St. John's	12									8	25	11	8	80	88		240.00									907.14			
Humboldt	Allen	Emmanuel	20	11	4	2	5	1	9	1	3	32	11	3	30				319.00									940.00			
Junction City	Davis	Covenant										15	107	8	115	123		37.35	292.93									938.68			
Lawrence	Douglas	Trinity	69	30	13	16	10	15	15	15	87	35	15	107	8	115	123		123.45	4,137.50								4,556.21			
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. Paul	111	36	13	16	8	4	11	117	44	24	137	40	160	160		36.10	1,970.98									2,036.18			
Manhattan	Ellsworth	St. Paul's	36	12	6	8	8	8	8	8	54	12	4	62	6	50	56		30.50	125.18								219.18			
Mouth	Shawnee	Emmanuel	16	3	2	4	3	3	3	3	19	5	1	10	1	13			368.57									883.17			
Okaloosa	Jefferson	St. Mark's										10	1	2	9				130.00									183.65			
Salina	Saline	Christ	15	9	3	1	3	2	2	13	102	15	4	8	12				216.11									345.13			
Topeka	Shawnee	Grace	38	11	2	1	2	6	1	12									19.75	255.00								813.75			
Wagon	Potawatomie	St. Luke's									1	2	1	2					6.00									9.69			
Wichita	Sedgewick	St. John's	20								27	7	3	31	5	35	40		6.60	98.57								130.27			
Wyandotte	Wyandotte	St. Paul's	25	8	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	1	2																		
Reported by Rev. Geo. Turner			17	8																											
Reported by Rev. W. H. Hickcox																															
Additional*																															
			559	230	100	20	120	40	38	71	648	227	69	802	94	727	821	\$484.43	\$12,329.80	\$1,701.77									\$14,546.11		

*In Stations making no report this year.

APPENDIX C.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. JOHN BAKWELL, Treasurer, in account with THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS. Cr.

1870.		1870.	1871.	1870.
May 11	To balance.....	\$220.50		By cash paid Bishop Vall on account of printing Journal for 1870.....
ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR 1869-70.				
May 23	To cash from Trinity Church, Atchison.....	30.00		May 3 By cash paid for Record book for Standing Committee.....
Sept. 6	" " from St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00		May 11 By balance.....
Sept. 20	" " from special contribution through Bishop Vall.....	30.00		
1871.				
May 11	" " from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	15.00		
ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR 1870-71.				
May 11	To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	20.00		
" "	" " from Trinity Church, Atchison, including special contribution of \$20.....	60.00		
" "	" " from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	75.00		
" "	" " from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	50.00		
" "	" " from Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00		
" "	" " from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	25.00		
" "	" " from Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00		
" "	" " from St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	15.00		
" "	" " from Christ's Church, Salina.....	15.00		
" "	" " from St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	10.00		
" "	" " from St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00		
" "	" " from St. Luke's Mission, Wamego.....	5.00		
" "	" " from Mission at Monmouth.....	5.00		
		\$680.50		
				JOHN BAKWELL, Treasurer.
				\$680.50

CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENTS.

TO BE PAID AT OR BEFORE THE CONVENTION OF 1872.

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$40.00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City.....	75.00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	15.00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	50.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	15.00
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	20.00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	25.00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20.00
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	5.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5.00
Christ Church, Salina.....	10.00
Emmanuel Mission, Monmouth.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00
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	\$390.00

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CONSTITUTION, CANONS, ORDER OF BUSINESS,
AND
RULES OF ORDER
OF THE
Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church,
IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

MAY, 1871.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, accedes to the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE II.

ANNUAL CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Wednesday in May, annually, at such place as the preceding Annual Convention shall have appointed.

SEC. 2. In case of the prevalence of an epidemic disease at the time or place previously appointed, the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may appoint such other time or place as may seem expedient. And special meetings of the Convention may be called by the ecclesiastical authority, whenever, in the judgment of the same, the good of the Church shall require. Provided, that, in either of these cases, notice shall be given by the ecclesiastical authority to every Clergyman, and the Vestry of

every parish in union with this Convention, at least thirty days before the time of meeting. And provided, that no business shall be done at any special Convention other than that specified in the notice calling such Convention.

SEC. 3. The presence of at least one-fourth of the Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Delegates from at least one-fourth of the parishes in union with the Convention, shall be necessary to the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS OF CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SEC. 2. The Bishop, and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, shall each have a seat and a vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Church, canonically resident in the Diocese, being a minister in charge of a congregation in union with the Convention, or an assistant minister duly elected, or being a minister employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or, being permanently engaged as a Teacher, or Professor, or Principal, or Chaplain, in any literary or benevolent or public institution, and also actually resident in the Diocese, and officiating in the same in his ministry, to the satisfaction of the ecclesiastical authority, for three months next preceding the Convention; or, being a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States—shall be entitled to a seat and a vote in this Convention. Every other clergyman, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to a seat but not to a vote, in this Convention. And no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat or a vote in this Convention, shall be deprived of the same on account of temporary absence, or on account of old age, or of physical infirmity, disqualifying him for the performance of his official duties.

SEC. 3. Every parish, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, not exceeding three, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry; a certificate of whose appointment, signed by the wardens or clerk of the parish or of the vestry, or by the minister of the parish or station, shall, before his or their admission, be laid before the Convention; but any parish neglecting or refusing, for two successive years, to pay its assessments, shall not be entitled to a representation in the Convention until such assessments are paid, unless for good cause exonerated by a vote of the Convention. The delegation from each parish represented shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to but one vote.

SEC. 4. In all questions or appeals touching the right of any person to a seat or a vote, the Convention itself shall decide.

ARTICLE IV.

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. The Bishop, or, in his absence, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, or the Bishop in charge of the Diocese, shall be, *ex officio*, President of the Convention. In his absence, or in a vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, or, in his absence, the senior Presbyter present, shall call the Convention to order, and shall preside *pro tempore*, until the Committee on the qualifications of members shall have reported, and the roll of persons entitled to seats shall have been called, when the Convention shall choose a President from the Presbyters of the Diocese present.

SEC. 2. Each daily session of the Convention shall be opened with the Morning Prayer; and at the opening of the Convention the Lord's Supper shall also be administered, and a sermon shall be preached by some Clergyman appointed by the Bishop, when the Bishop himself does not deliver a sermon or a charge. In the case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Com-

mittee shall take order for these opening services, and shall appoint the preacher. Episcopal charges delivered before the Convention shall be published by the Convention without any motion to that effect.

ARTICLE V.

BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION.

The Clergy and Lay delegates shall deliberate as one body, and vote as such, except when a division by orders is called for by two clerical members, or by the lay delegations from two parishes represented. When a division is called for, a concurrence of a majority of both orders present shall be necessary to decide any question. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY.

Immediately upon the organization of the Annual Convention, a Secretary shall be chosen from among the clerical members thereof, after a *viva voce* nomination, who shall continue in office until a successor shall be appointed, and who shall have power to appoint an assistant. It shall be his duty to take minutes of the proceedings, and to enter them when approved in a proper book, to preserve the journals and records, to attest the acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers in his possession by virtue of his office, all which are the property of the Convention. And it shall also be his duty to notify the time and place of the next Annual Convention, or of any special Convention when requested so to do by the ecclesiastical authority.

ARTICLE VII.

ELECTION OF TREASURER.

SECTION 1. At each Annual Convention a Treasurer shall be appointed, who shall continue in office through the year and until

a successor shall be appointed. He shall give to the President of the Standing Committee satisfactory security for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, and shall report to each Annual Convention a statement, to be audited by a committee of that body, of all moneys received and disbursed by him during the preceding year, and of all moneys and other property belonging to the Diocese which may be in his possession.

SEC. 2. No moneys shall be disbursed by the Treasurer, except by order of the Convention, signed by the Secretary, or by order of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, signed by the Secretary of said committee.

SEC. 3. In case of death, resignation, removal from the Diocese, or other disability, of the Treasurer, the Standing Committee shall appoint in his stead a Treasurer, to whom all funds, books and papers in the hands of the late Treasurer, by virtue of his office, all which are the property of the Diocese, shall be delivered, and who shall continue in office until the next Annual Convention, or until a successor shall be appointed.

ARTICLE VIII.

ELECTION OF DIOCESAN REGISTRAR.

At each Annual Convention a Registrar shall be appointed, who shall continue in office until his successor shall be chosen, whose duty it shall be to procure such papers, files, reports, journals, records, letters, and other documents printed or manuscript, relative to the history of the Church in this Diocese, as are now, or may hereafter become, the property of this Convention, and to preserve the same in some safe and accessible place of deposit; and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as this Convention may from time to time prescribe.

ARTICLE IX.

ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committee, to consist of four Presbyters and four Lay Communicants of the Diocese, shall be

chosen annually, each order choosing its own members, subject to the approval of the other order. At their first meeting, which shall be as soon as convenient after their election, they shall appoint a President from among the clerical members. At the same meeting they shall elect also a Secretary, who shall keep a record of their proceedings, in a book provided for the purpose, attest the acts of the Committee, preserve the original of all papers and letters addressed to the Committee, and in due time deliver to his successor all books and papers which, being in his possession by virtue of his office, are the property of the Committee.

SEC. 2. The minutes and papers of the Committee shall be open to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention.

SEC. 3. The committee shall have power to supply vacancies which may occur in their body during the recess of the Convention.

SEC. 4. Any five members of the Committee, the whole having been summoned by the President, or by the Bishop of the Diocese as a Council of Advice, shall be a quorum, except for such purposes as by their own rules or by the Canons of the General Convention may require a larger number.

ARTICLE X.

ELECTION OF DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. At every Annual Convention next preceding the regular Triennial meeting of the General Convention, four Clerical Deputies, and four Lay Deputies who shall be communicants of this Church, shall be elected to represent this Diocese in the General Convention, each order choosing its own representatives by ballot, subject to the approval of the other order. The Convention shall also elect in like manner the same number of Supplementary Deputies of each order, to serve as Deputies contingently. These Deputies and Supplementary Deputies shall continue in office for three years, or until successors shall be elected.

SEC. 2. In case of resignation, or inability to perform the duties of the appointment, on the part of any Deputies, notice to this effect shall be given by them, in writing, to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, at least one month before the meeting of the General Convention. The Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall thereupon designate such and so many of the Supplementary Deputies as shall be necessary to secure a full representation of the Diocese, and the persons so designated shall have all the power and authority of Deputies duly elected by this Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

ELECTION OF BISHOP.

SECTION 1. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention, or in a special Convention called for the purpose by the Standing Committee at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every Clergyman and Vestry of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. The election shall be by ballot; each order voting separately, and each parish being entitled to but one vote, as in the case of a division by orders, and the concurrence of a majority of both orders present shall be necessary to a choice; *Provided*, That two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present at the Convention, and two-thirds of all the Congregations entitled to vote be represented at the Convention; and *Provided*, That if a less number than two-thirds of either order be present at the Convention, then two-thirds of those present of that order, shall be necessary to constitute the choice of that order.

ARTICLE XII.

ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

New parishes may be admitted into union with this Convention, on motion, by a majority of votes: *Provided*, That they

shall have laid before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the wardens or by the clerk, that they accede to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and that they are duly organized according to the Articles of Association adopted by this Convention, and that said articles have been signed by at least five men not under twenty-one years of age, and that the parish has been duly incorporated in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

ARTICLE XIII.

OF VACANT PARISHES.

SECTION 1. On the organization of any new parish in this Diocese, or on the occurrence of a vacancy in the ministry of any existing parish, it shall be the duty of the Wardens or other officers of such parish, to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop; and until provision be made for the regular supply of such parish, the Bishop may cause it to be supplied as frequently as convenient at his discretion by missionary services, or by the Clergy of the other parishes, officiating, by his direction in such order of rotation as he may judge practicable.

SEC. 2. In order to maintain public worship in vacant parishes, the Bishop may, on the recommendation of the Vestry, appoint lay readers, who shall be either candidates for orders or other laymen of exemplary character for morals and piety, and who, under the direction of the Bishop, or, if it be not convenient for the Bishop to direct in the matter, under the direction of some Clergyman of the Diocese whom he may appoint, may, on any Sunday, or other proper occasion, read the service of the Church, and a sermon from the works of some approved divine.

ARTICLE XIV.

RIGHTS OF THE CLERGY.

No Clergyman shall be suspended or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese,

without having been adjudged thereto in the way provided for by the Canons of this Diocese.

ARTICLE XV.

RIGHTS OF THE LAITY.

A communicant repelled by the minister from the Holy Communion, may appeal to the Bishop, and if the Bishop, after consideration of the case as presented by the minister and the person repelled, does not see fit to restore him, he may demand a further inquiry, whereupon the Bishop shall appoint two Presbyters and two lay-communicants, who shall have no personal interest in the case, and who shall make inquiry into the truth of the facts alleged, and shall report thereof, stating their own opinion of the case, to the Bishop, who shall thereupon make a final decision in the case.

ARTICLE XVI.

MODE OF ALTERING THE CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be altered in the manner following:—
The proposed amendment in writing shall be offered at an Annual Convention, and, if on motion approved by a majority, shall lie over till the next following Annual Convention, when on motion it may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds, on a division by orders.

CANONS.

CANON I.

LIST OF THE CLERGY.

On or before the day appointed for the opening of the Convention, the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee, shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all ministers canonically or actually resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, parishes or missionary stations, or of the institutions in which they are engaged; but no clergyman while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list. The list thus made shall designate such as are entitled to a seat and to a vote in the Convention, and such as are entitled to a seat and not to a vote in the Convention, and shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary immediately after the Convention shall have been called to order; and the names of the Clerical members shall be called therefrom. The same shall be inserted in the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

CANON II.

ATTENDANCE AT THE CONVENTION.

It shall be the duty of all Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every Church or congregation in union with the Convention, to send to the same one or more lay delegates, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the parish to be represented, or by its Vestry, and evidence of the election of lay delegates shall be a certificate signed by the Clerk of the Parish or of the Vestry, or by the Wardens, or by the Minister, in substance as follows:

This is to certify that, at the Annual Meeting of the Parish

(or at a meeting of the Vestry) of ——— Church, in ———, held on the ——— day of ———, A. B., who is a member of the said parish, was appointed a Lay Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be holden at ———, on the ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord ———.

(Signed.)

CANON III.

PAROCHIAL REGISTERS AND REPORTS.

SECTION 1. It is hereby required that every Minister of this Church shall carefully prepare and keep a Parochial Register, such as is described and ordered in Title I, Canon 12, section V, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. Every Minister of this Church, or if a parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a Parochial Report such as is described and ordered in Title I, Canon 15, section I, of the aforesaid Digest.

CANON IV.

ELECTION AND DUTIES OF WARDENS AND VESTRIES.

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each parish an election of a Vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall, whenever practicable, be communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall be of the male electors in the parish.

In case there be no meeting, or no election, on the day above named, the Rector, the Warden, or any five electors, may call a parish meeting for such election, notice of which meeting shall be given at a public service on the Lord's Day, or by three written notices of the same, posted in the town or city, for at

least three successive days, one of which notices shall be posted on the door of the church or place for holding public services; and until a new Vestry is elected, the existing Wardens and Vestry shall continue in office.

The electors shall be the communicants of the parish, and also members of the congregation who have attained their majority, and who have been, except in the case of the organization of a parish, and at the first election, regular or habitual attendants upon the public worship and services of the Church, for at least three months preceeding the election, and who, during the year preceding, have contributed to the support of the same. Only the electors present at any meeting shall vote, and no proxies shall be received. If any question shall arise as to the right of any person to vote as a communicant, the Rector, if there be one, or in his absence, or in a vacancy in the Rectorship, the Wardens, shall decide it; and as to the right of any person not a communicant, the existing Vestry shall decide it. No person shall be counted as a communicant, until he or she has actually communicated in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Other qualifications, not inconsistent with this section, may be prescribed by the several parishes, and this Canon shall not affect the existing rules of parishes already received into union with this Convention, under special constitutions.

SAC. 2. At their first meeting, the Vestry shall appoint a clerk, whose duty it shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Vestry, and to record them in a book, and to do such other acts as usually belong to the clerks of corporations. They shall also elect, if the parish have failed to do so at the Annual Meeting, a Senior and a Junior Warden. In all Vestries into which less than five Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, one of the Wardens, in the order of seniority, shall preside. In all Vestries into which five or more Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, a Warden,

or, in the absence of both Rector and Wardens, a chairman, *pro tem*, elected by the body, shall preside.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to elect the Rector, to fill vacancies in their own number, to take charge of the property and to transact the temporal business of the parish, and to discharge, in the absence of the Wardens, the special duties of those officers.

It shall also be the duty of the Vestry to make a report to the annual parish meeting, giving a statement of the receipts and expenditures of all moneys subject to their direction, during the preceding year, and also presenting such other matters, in relation to the general welfare and condition of the parish, as they think proper.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Wardens to take charge of the communion-plate, books, and vestments of the parish, and keep them in proper condition for the decent celebration of public worship, to provide the elements for the Holy Communion, to collect the alms of the congregation and present them to the minister, to supply temporary religious services when there is no Rector, to see that order and decorum are observed during the public worship, and to act, at the request of the Rector, as his council of advice, and to assist him in discharging the discipline and duties of his office.

SEC. 5. Whenever the term Rector is used in this or any other Canon of this Diocese, it is to be understood of any minister duly elected or appointed to the charge of a parish.

CANON V.

CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENTS.

It shall be the duty of Church Wardens and Vestries, to see that the amount assessed upon their respective parishes by the Convention, for incidental expenses, and other Church purposes, authorized and directed by the Convention, be regularly and promptly collected and transmitted to the Treasurer, so as to be included in his Annual Report.

CANON VI.

TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN.

SECTION 1. If any minister of this Church have committed offences for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, or if he be accused, by public rumor, of such offenses, a formal complaint in writing, stating the offenses charged, may be made to the Bishop, by any three communicants of this Church, one of whom at least shall be a Presbyter.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall thereupon institute an enquiry, as to the truth of the charges made, and if, upon such enquiry, there be *prima facie* evidence against the accused, he shall report the facts to the Standing Committee, who shall thereupon make further enquiry, and if they deem the charges well founded, shall present said Clergyman to the Bishop for trial. In the presentment, which shall be written, the charges shall be distinct and definite, and under each separate charge, the specifications of particular acts shall be made clear and exact, as to time, place, and circumstances of the offenses charged.

SEC. 3. The presentment being received, the Bishop shall carefully consider it, and, if he deem the offenses charged, or any of the offenses charged, as not coming within the intention of the Canon of the General Convention which defines the offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, he shall return the presentment, or that part of it to which he finds objection, to the Standing Committee, stating to them, in writing, his reasons for so doing; whereupon, if the Standing Committee shall concur with him in his action, they shall communicate to him, in writing, their concurrence, and the presentment, or that part of it in the objection to which they concur, shall be dismissed, and the accused shall be notified of the result. But, if the Standing Committee do not concur with the Bishop in his action, they shall so inform him in writing, and may thereupon renew the

presentment or that part of it in the objection to which they do not concur, in which case the accused shall be tried as presented.

SEC. 4. Upon the renewal of the presentment, in whole or in part, as the case may be, or, if upon first receiving it, he shall deem the offenses charged to be such as are contemplated in the Canon aforesaid, the Bishop shall appoint a time, and a place as near as convenient to the place where the offenses charged are alleged to have been committed, for the trial, and shall select and summon a Board of four Presbyters, none of whom shall be members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the judges both of the law and the facts. He shall, at least six weeks before the time appointed for the trial, furnish the names of the Board to the accused, who shall have the right at any time prior to three weeks before the day fixed for the trial, to challenge two of them, and also to challenge any member of the court who may have formed or expressed an opinion against the accused, as to the facts charged in the presentment, and, in the case of the exercise of this right by the accused, he shall select and summon other Presbyters in the place of those challenged. The Board will then be ready to be organized as a court. Should any of the Presbyters summoned give notice to the Bishop, before the day appointed for the trial, of unavoidable inability to be present, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy. Or, should any of the Presbyters summoned, through death, or sickness, or other unavoidable cause of absence, fail to be present on the day appointed for the trial, the members present may adjourn until the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy, or, if the party accused shall waive the requirement of four judges, the trial may proceed before the members present.

SEC. 5. Upon the application of either party, before the organization of the Court, the Bishop may appoint a Commissary to take the testimony of any material witnesses who cannot be pro-

cured upon the trial. Sufficient notice having been given by the Commissary to both parties, they may attend and before him examine the witness, who may be sworn or affirmed by some lawfully authorized officer. The questions and answers reduced to writing and signed by the witness, shall be certified by the Commissary, and enclosed under his seal, and transmitted to the Court, and shall be received by them as evidence.

SEC. 6. It is hereby declared and made the duty of all Presbyters of this Diocese, when selected and summoned to attend and act in any trial of a clergyman, to obey the summons, and no excuse from the duty, but that of unavoidable necessity, shall be allowed.

SEC. 7. The Court shall be organized by the election of one of the members as President, and the appointment of a Clerk, who may or may not be a member, who shall take accurate notes of all the testimony, and make a careful record of all the proceedings, which notes and record shall be approved and authenticated by the Court. And they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. They shall have power to employ a proper legal officer for the administration of oaths and affirmations, to receive testimony oral and written, to summon and examine witnesses, to take order for the procuring of depositions, and to do whatever is necessary, according to the analogy of the criminal courts of the State, for the due investigation of the charges on the trial.

SEC. 8. The Standing Committee shall be the prosecutors in the case, and shall appoint one of their number a Judge Advocate to conduct the prosecution. They shall cite the accused to trial, giving him, at least sixty days before the trial, a copy of the presentment, and at least sixty days' notice of the time and place of trial, and he shall not be tried, unless he himself request it, on any other charges or specifications except those contained in the presentment. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement

of the ground of his defense on each specification, or with a denial, general or specific, of the specifications.

SEC. 9. If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear or to answer in person, or by his authorized representative, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and the Bishop shall pronounce against him the sentence of suspension from the ministry for contumacy and violation of this Canon, until he shall tender himself for trial on the presentment, but the said sentence shall be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall declare himself ready to appear and answer before the Court, and, whenever he shall so declare himself, the Court shall proceed in the trial; but if he shall not so declare and tender himself within six months, the Bishop may, at any time thereafter, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, pronounce against him, for his continued contumacy and violation of this Canon, the sentence of degradation from the ministry.


SEC. 10. If the accused shall appear, the Court shall proceed to trial on the presentment, and shall adjudge him guilty or not guilty, on the several charges and specifications, according to the evidence; and, if he be found guilty, the Court shall declare to the Bishop the Canonical sentence to which he ought, in their judgment, to be subjected.

SEC. 11. An attested copy of the presentment, of the answer of the accused, of the notes of the evidence, and of the final judgment of the court—being of the entire record of the court—shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, with a copy, if the accused desire it, of the judgment of the Court on the several charges and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same charges. If the court judge him *guilty* on one or more of the

charges or specifications, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment, and order a revision or reconsideration of the evidence, and the rendering of a new judgment, in the points disapproved ; or, if new and important evidence in the case be laid before him, he shall recommit the case to the Court and order a new trial, stating his reasons in either case for such a decision ; or, if he approve the judgment, he shall, within thirty days, pronounce against the accused such Canonical sentence as the case may, in his judgment, require, whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, provided the penalty be not greater than that expressed in the judgment of the Court.

SEC. 12. If, in the absence of public rumor, or of a formal complaint, or if, at any time before or after a formal complaint, as provided for in the first section of this Canon, and before the selection and summoning of the Court or Board of four Presbyters, provided for in the fourth section of this Canon, a clergyman shall confess to the Bishop that he is guilty of any offense or offenses, for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, such confession, in the form of a statement made in writing, by such clergyman, may be laid by the Bishop before the clerical members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the Court for such case, and who shall, thereupon, as soon as they conveniently can do so, communicate to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the party confessing, and as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced. If the Bishop approve the judgment, he shall, within ten days, pronounce sentence as prescribed and authorized in the latter clause of section 11, immediately preceding.

If, after the summoning of the Court, and before or during the trial, the accused shall confess the substantial truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, or shall confess to any offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, the Court may be immediately organized, and may dispense with hearing testimony after such confession, and shall proceed at



once to state to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the accused, and the sentence that ought to be pronounced, and the Bishop shall, within ten days, proceed to pronounce sentence as directed in the previous paragraph of this section.

SEC. 13. In case of the suspension of any clergyman, such suspension is understood to be from the exercise of the functions of the ministry, and may be for a limited period, or until the offender gives to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of contrition and reformation, or it may include both these conditions. Suspension shall, *ipso facto*, sever the connection between the clergyman so suspended and his parish, and, also, during the period of its continuance, vacate his seat in the Diocesan Convention.

SEC. 14. In all trials, the accused may employ as counsel a lay communicant of this church, in which case the prosecutors may exercise the same privilege.

SEC. 15. Every summons, notice, or citation mentioned in this Canon, as a part of these proceedings, shall be deemed to be duly served by the delivery of a written notice or paper to the person to be summoned, notified, or cited, or by leaving it or a certified copy of it at his residence or last known residence, by a person duly appointed, in writing, by the Bishop, Standing Committee, or Court.

CANON VII.

MISSIONARY ORGANIZATION.

SECTION. 1. At every Annual Convention there shall be elected a committee of four clergymen and four laymen, with the Bishop of the Diocese as President, to be called the Executive Missionary Committee.

SEC. 2. To this Executive Committee shall be referred the administration of the general missionary work of the Diocese, subject to the regulations of the Convention, said committee to make a report of its proceedings, and of any Diocesan missionary

operations of which it shall be regularly informed, to the Annual Convention. This Committee shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall be *ex officio* a member of the committee.

SEC. 3. All district and other associations, which may at any time be formed for the furtherance of the missionary work of the Diocese, are hereby recognized as part of the missionary organization of the Diocese; provided that such associations be approved by the Bishop, and give notice of their organization to the Executive Committee, and report to it their proceedings of the previous year, at least one month prior to the meeting of the Convention.

CANON VIII.


MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE COLLECTIONS.

As activity in the missionary work is the bounden duty of all Christians, and as liberal giving according to our opportunity should ever accompany prayer to the Lord of the Harvest, and is an important test of Christian character, it is hereby earnestly recommended, that at least one collection in each month, making twelve collections in each year, should be made in every parish for extra parochial objects, of which collections, four in all, or one in each quarter, on or about the third Sunday in February, May, August and November, should be for Diocesan Missions, one in the Advent season for Domestic Missions, one in the Epiphany season for Foreign Missions, and the other six for the same, or such other missionary or benevolent objects as may be of special interest to the Rector or the parish. The particular object for which each collection is made, shall be always notified to the congregation.

CANON IX.

AID FOR AGED AND INDIGENT CLERGYMEN.

SECTION 1. A fund to be known as the Christmas Fund, for the support of aged and indigent clergymen of the Diocese, shall



be raised by a collection in each parish, on Christmas day, or on the Sunday preceding or succeeding Christmas day.

SEC. 2. The amount collected by each parish shall be forwarded without delay to the Bishop of the Diocese, who, with the advice of the lay members of the Standing Committee, shall invest the same in good security, and use the interest and the principal of the same, or such part thereof as may be necessary to carry out the object named in section 1 of this Canon.

CANON X.

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES OF ORDER.

The Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order, at any time adopted by this Convention, are hereby adopted and authorized as a part of this Canon. They shall continue permanently in force until amended or repealed as other Canons, and they shall be subject to alteration in the manner provided by this Convention for the alteration of the Canons.

CANON XI.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Annual Convention immediately preceding the Triennial meeting of the General Convention, shall provide that a Report and Tabular Statement of the State of the Church in the Diocese for the three years preceding shall be prepared, and placed in the hands of one of the Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, for the purpose stated in Title I, Canon 15, Section V, of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

CANON XII.

DISCIPLINE.

Persons in union with this Church by baptism, who are habitually neglectful of the duty of public worship, or of other Christian obligations, shall be kindly admonished by the Minis-

ter; the confirmed, who have never drawn nigh to the Lord's Table, shall be earnestly urged to prepare themselves for that bounden duty and service of the followers of Christ; and communicants, absenting themselves from Divine Service, or from the Supper of the Lord, for six months, without reasonable excuse, shall be seriously exhorted to return to their duty, and, if they still so absent themselves, may, after one year, be repelled or suspended from the Holy Communion.

CANON XIII.

ALTERATIONS OF THE CANONS.

No alteration of any Canon, and no addition to the Canons, shall be considered or made, until such alteration or addition shall have been referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, and reported upon by that Committee.

Standing Resolution of 1868, having the force of a Canon.

Resolved, That at each annual session of the Convention, the Committee on Finance shall assess the parishes for conventional expenses, in proportion to the ability of each, and such assessments shall be reported to the Convention, and, if approved by the same, shall be published in the appendix of the journal.

EXTRACTS FROM CANON 12 OF TITLE I, ENTITLED, "GENERAL REGULATIONS OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES."

§ I. [1.] It is hereby required that on the election of a minister into any Church or parish, the Vestry shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect:

"We, the Church Wardens, (*or, in case of an Assistant Minister*) we, the Rector and Church Wardens, do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop*) or, to the Rev. (*naming the*

President of the Standing Committee) that (*naming the person*) has been duly chosen Rector (*or Assistant Minister, as the case may be*) of (*naming the parish or Church*)."

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify. (This certificate is to be recorded by the Secretary of the Convention in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.)

§ II. No Minister removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, Stated Minister or Assistant Minister of any parish or congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify that the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing."

§ III. The alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

§ IV. [2.] At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Church Wardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

[3.] And, further, the Ministers and Churchwardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

§ V. [1.] Every Minister of this Church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by

the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies ; and if none such be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such a register.

[3.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future minister in the same parish.

§ VII. A Minister of this Church removing within the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other ecclesiastical authority, shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to said ecclesiastical authority a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The testimonial may be in the following words :—
“ I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the ecclesiastical authority of ———, is a Presbyter (or, Deacon) of ———, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion or viciousness of life, for three years last past.”

[2.] All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dimissory. No such letter shall affect a Minister's canonical residence until, after having been presented, according to its address, it shall have been accepted, and notification of such acceptance given to the authority whence it proceeded. The residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letter of Transfer.



EXTRACTS FROM CANON 15 OF TITLE I OF THE DIGEST
OF CANONS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION,
ENTITLED, "ON THE MODE OF SECURING
AN ACCURATE VIEW OF THE STATE
OF THE CHURCH."

§ I. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or, if the parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his parish, also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign, for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed ; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the Journals thereof.

§ II. At every Annual Diocesan Convention the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese, names of Churches visited, number of persons confirmed, &c., and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese ; which address shall be inserted on the Journals.

§ III. At every General Convention the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, Episcopal charges, addresses, &c., shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (A Committee of that House thereupon draws up a report on the state of the Church, sending it to the House of Bishops,

with a request that they will publish a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.) And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

§ IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, &c., to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

§ V. It is recommended that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese prepare, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report and a tabular view of the State of the Church in their Diocese, &c., for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, &c., in drafting their reports.

EXTRACT FROM THE JOURNAL OF 1871.


The following proposed changes in Section 4 of Article IX of the Constitution were, on motion, approved by a majority, and lie over till the next Convention for final action.

ARTICLE IX—SECTION 4.

SEC. 4. Any five members of the Committee, the whole having been duly summoned, shall be a quorum, except for such purposes as by their own rules, or by the laws of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

The Committee shall, on the requisition of the Bishop, be summoned as a Council of Advice, by the President, or, in case of his inability to act, through absence or sickness, by the Secretary.

Special meetings may be called by the President, or by the Secretary at the request of the Bishop.



**STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS,
AND
RULES OF ORDER.**

I. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

For the first day of the Session.

A. M.

After Morning Prayer, Sermon, or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion, the President will take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows :

I. 1. The Secretary shall call over the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats, from a list presented by the Bishop, and shall receive the certificates of Lay Delegates, as the names of the Parishes are called.

2. The President will appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to receive, examine, and report upon the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates ; after which a recess may be taken.

P. M.

II. 1. The Committee on Qualifications shall report.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy, and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant.

5. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees, viz : a Committee on the admission of new Parishes, a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, a Committee on Diocesan Institutions,—to consist each of five members, three

Clergymen and two Laymen ; a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee of Finance,—to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

6. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

III. The annual Address of the Bishop, unless he should prefer another time for its delivery ; if so, it shall be in order at any time.

IV. Reports and action upon the same, in the following order :

1. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.
3. Report from the Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.
4. Report from the Committee on new Parishes, the admission of the Parishes, and the reception of their Lay Delegates.
5. Report from the Standing Committee.
6. Report from the Executive Missionary Committee.
7. Report from the Trustees of Diocesan Institutions.
8. Report from the Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.
9. Report from the Committee on Unfinished Business.
10. Parochial Reports to be presented to the Bishop.

If any Report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed, and it shall be presented and be in order, at the first vacancy in the order of business, after it shall be prepared.

V. Miscellaneous Business, such as proposed changes in the Constitution and Canons, matters to be referred to Special or other Committees, Resolutions, &c.

For the Second Day of the Session.

After Morning Prayer,

- I. 1. Reading and approval of the minutes of the previous day.



2. Report from the Committee on Qualifications, of members not present nor reported on the preceding day ; the names of such Clergymen and the Credentials of such Lay Delegates having been previously handed to the Secretary, and by him referred to said Committee.

3. The calling of the Roll of members.

II. The finishing of the business, if any, which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

III. The disposal of the unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

IV. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Elections at 11 o'clock, a. m., in the following order :

1. Election of Treasurer.

2. Election of Registrar.

3. Election of Deputies to the General Convention.

4. Election of Standing Committee.

5. Election of Trustees (nominated) of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Executive Missionary Committee.

7. Election of Trustees (to fill vacancies) of Diocesan Institutions.

8. Election of Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.

VI. Report of the Committee on Diocesan Institutions.

VII. Report of the Finance Committee.

VIII. 1. Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, and action thereon.

2. Report of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the Session, and action thereon.

IX. Miscellaneous Business.

X. The reading and approval of the minutes.

XI. Singing, Prayers, Benediction by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the Senior Presbyter present. Adjournment *sine die*.

For the Third or other Subsequent Day of the Session.

I. Morning Prayer, Reading, &c., of the Minutes, Reception of new Members, Calling of the Roll, and finishing of Business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the Second day.

II. The disposal of the Unfinished Business of the Convention, in the order above described.

II. RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the chair.

No member shall absent himself from the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or shall be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order—1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To divide; 6, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named; and a question on any of these proceedings shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE VII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE VIII. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, when no member is speaking, and if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. When votes or Election by orders are called for (by three Clerical members or by the lay delegations from three Parishes), each Clergyman and each Parish shall be entitled to one vote, and there must be a concurrence of the majority of both orders voting, and the yeas and nays, when taken, shall be entered on the minutes.

RULE X. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XI. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

RULE XII. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

RULE XIII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made: no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order;

but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be received under color of a substitute.

RULE XIV. The mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before decision or amendment, with the consent of the Convention, in which case it shall not be entered on the minutes.

RULE XV. A question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

RULE XVII. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the tellers, or committee appointed to count the ballots, withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay member shall be allowed to vote between such withdrawal and the announcement of the result of the election to the Convention, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application, in form, of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XVIII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

RULE XIX. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

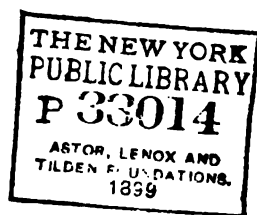
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LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
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PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES.

Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Baxter Springs.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Blue Rapids.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Chelopa.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Troy.</i>
St. Luke's Church.....	<i>Wamego.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandotte.</i>

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT YET IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	<i>Ellsworth.</i>
St. Thomas' Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Church of the Epiphany.....	<i>Independence.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
Gloria Dei Church.....	<i>Perryville.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Garnett.</i>
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	<i>Ottawa.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Leavenworth.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Harker.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Riley.</i>

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the diocese of Kansas will be holden at the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, on Wednesday, May 14, 1873.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

- The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D.D., Bishop of the diocese, residing at Lawrence.
- The Rev. John Bakewell, rector of Grace church, Topeka.
- The Rev. Archibald Beatty, missionary at Independence and points adjacent (P. O., Independence).
- The Rev. Daniel W. Cox, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.
- The Rev. John K. Dunn, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.
- The Rev. Kinney Hall, deacon, Divinity School, Philadelphia, Pa.
- The Rev. George D. Henderson, chaplain U. S. Navy, on duty Atlantic Squadron.
- The Rev. Levi L. Holden, rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington.
- The Rev. Charles Holmes, deacon, missionary at Blue Rapids, and points adjacent (P. O., Blue Rapids, Marshall county).
- The Rev. John Godfrey Jones, rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.
- The Rev. John Mills Kendrick, rector of the church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.
- The Rev. D. Otis Kellogg, jr., professor in the State University, at Lawrence, and missionary at Leavenworth and other points (P. O., Lawrence).
- The Rev. James Hervey Lee, professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, and missionary at Salina and Wamego (P. O., Manhattan).
- The Rev. John Newton Lee, principal of the Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka, and missionary in Shawnee county.
- The Rev. Magruder Maury, rector of the Church of the Covenant, Junction City.
- The Rev. P. Nelson Meade, rector of Trinity church, Atchison.
- The Rev. Joseph W. Norwood, deacon, missionary for Franklin and Jefferson counties (P. O., Lawrence).
- The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D.D., post chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Riley.
- The Rev. Thompson L. Smith, rector of St. Mark's church, Baxter Springs, and missionary in Southeastern Kansas (P. O., Baxter Springs).
- The Rev. George Turner, missionary on the Central Branch, U. P. R. R. (P. O., Hiawatha, Brown county).
- The Rev. William Vaux, post chaplain U. S. army, Fort Harker.
- The Rev. James A. Woodward, missionary at Paola and Olathe (P. O., Paola).

ENTITLED TO A SEAT BUT NOT A VOTE.

- The Rev. Henry S. Atwater, Cedar Vale.
- The Rev. William H. Hickcox, Burlington.
- The Rev. Rodney S. Nash, Springfield, Missouri.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

- The Rev. Charles Stewart, Topeka.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- Allen County*—Emmanuel mission, Humboldt.
Anderson County—Grace mission, Garnett.
Atchison County—Trinity church, Atchison, Rev. P. N. Meade, rector; Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Bourbon County—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, ———, rector.
Brown County—Calvary mission, Hiawatha, ———, miss'y.
Cherokee County—St. Mark's mission, Baxter Springs, Rev. T. L. Smith, miss'y; mission at Columbus.
Cloud County—Clyde, ———, miss'y; Concordia, ———, miss'y.
Coffey County—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. L. L. Holden, rector.
Crawford County—St. John's mission, Girard, ———, miss'y.
Davis County—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. M. Maury, rector.
Doniphan County—Trinity church, Troy, mission at Wathena, ———, miss'y; mission at White Cloud.
Douglas County—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. John K. Dunn, rector, mission, South Lawrence, Rev. J. K. Dunn, miss'y.
Ellsworth County—Mission of Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, Rev. W. Vaux, U. S. A., officiating.
Franklin County—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, Rev. J. W. Norwood, miss'y.
Greenwood County—Christ church, Eureka, ———, miss'y.
Howard County—Cedar Vale, Rev. H. S. Atwater.
Jackson County—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Jefferson County—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, Grasshopper Falls and Gloria Dei mission, Perryville, Rev. J. W. Norwood, miss'y.
Johnson County—Olathe, Rev. J. A. Woodward, miss'y.
Labette County—Oswego and Chetopa, Rev. T. L. Smith, miss'y.
Leavenworth County—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth city, and St. John's chapel, South Leavenworth, Rev. J. M. Kendrick, rector, Rev. D. O. Kellogg, jr., assisting; mission, Reno, Rev. J. K. Dunn, miss'y.
Lyon County—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, ———, rector.
Miami County—St. James mission, Paola, Rev. J. A. Woodward, miss'y.
Marshall County—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, miss'y; mission Barret's school house, Rev. C. Holmes, miss'y.
Montgomery County—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. A. Beatty, miss'y; missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Parker, Rev. A. Beatty, miss'y.
Nemaha County—Wetmore, Rev. G. Turner, miss'y.
Neosho County—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, ———, miss'y.
Pottawatomie County—St. Luke's mission, Wamego, Rev. J. H. Lee, miss'y.
Riley County—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector; Fort Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, chaplain U. S. A.
Saline County—Christ church, Salina, Rev. J. H. Lee, miss'y.
Sedgwick County—St. John's church, Wichita, ———, miss'y.
Shawnee County—Grace church, Topeka, Rev. J. Bakewell, rector; Emmanuel mission, Monmouth; missions at Auburn and Mission Creek, Rev. J. N. Lee, miss'y.
Wyandotte County—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, Rev. J. G. Jones, rector.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

TRINITY CHURCH, LAWRENCE, KANSAS,
WEDNESDAY, May 8, 1872.

This being the time and place for holding the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy of the diocese and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in the church at ten o'clock, a. m., for the celebration of Divine worship.

Morning Prayer was read to the Creed by the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D.D., and from the Creed by the Rev. J. N. Lee.

The Rev. A. Beatty preached from Proverbs, xxiii, 23: "Buy the truth and sell it not."

Mr. Charles Holmes was then admitted to the order of Deacons. The Communion Service was read, the newly ordered Deacon reading the Gospel, and the Holy Communion administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Revs. Dr. Reynolds and J. N. Lee.

The religious services being concluded, the Bishop took the chair, and called the Convention to order. The secretary of the last Convention, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically resident in the diocese, as required by Canon I, when those present answered to their names.

The parishes were then called in order, and the certificates of lay delegates were laid upon the secretary's table, when they were referred to the following Committee on Qualifications, viz: The Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., Hon. Wm. H. Canfield and E. D. Cook, Esq.

The Convention took a recess till 3 o'clock, p. m.

WEDNESDAY, May 8, 1872, 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications made the following report, which was adopted :

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that they have examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find it correct and in accordance with section 2, of article III, of the constitution of this diocese.

CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS H. VAIL, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese.*

The Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, rector of Grace church, Topeka.*

The Rev. ARCHIBALD BEATTY, missionary at Independence and points adjacent.*

The Rev. DANIEL W. COX, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.

The Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.*

The Rev. GEORGE D. HENDERSON, chaplain U. S. Navy, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, rector of the church of the Ascension, Burlington.*

The Rev. JOHN GODFREY JONES, rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.*

The Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, rector of the church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City.*

The Rev. D. OTIS KELLOGG, JR., Professor in the State University at Lawrence.*

The Rev. JAMES H. LEE, Professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan.*

The Rev. JOHN N. LEE, Principal of the Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka.*

The Rev. M. MAURY, rector of the church of the Covenant, Junction City.*

The Rev. P. NELSON MEADE, rector of Trinity church, Atchison.*

The Rev. J. W. NORWOOD, missionary.*

The Rev. C. REYNOLDS, D.D., post chaplain, U. S. A., at Fort Riley.*

The Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, rector of St. Mark's church, Baxter Springs.*

The Rev. GEO. TURNER, missionary.*

The Rev. WM. VAUX, post chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Harker.

The Rev. J. A. WOODWARD, missionary at Paola.*

ENTITLED TO A SEAT, BUT NOT A VOTE.

The Rev. HENRY S. ATWATER, Cedar Vale.

The Rev. WM. H. HICKCOX, Burlington.

The Rev. R. S. NASH, Springfield, Missouri.

The Rev. C. STEWART, Topeka.

They have also examined the certificates of Lay Delegates, and find the following persons duly elected, viz :

LAITY.

Trinity Church, Atchison—A. G. OTIS,* JOHN H. STRINGFELLOW, M. D.,* R. A. PARK.

Trinity Church, Lawrence—S. REYNOLDS,* E. M. BARTHOLOW,* W. C. RANSOM.*

Grace Church, Topeka—C. F. KENDALL,* G. GEIGER,* JOHN G. SEARLE.*

St. Luke's Church, Wamego—E. D. COOK,* J. L. BROWNE.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth—L. G. HOPKINS, W. W. WRIGHT,* J. J. EDIC, M. D.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte—J. WHITE,* FRED. SPECK, M. D.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City—W. H. CANFIELD,* JAS. R. MCCLURE,* H. F. HALE.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington—CHARLES SANDS, H. G. BEATTY,* O. WALKLING.

CHAS. REYNOLDS,
W. H. CANFIELD,
E. D. COOK,

Committee on Qualifications.

NOTE.—Of the persons named in the report as entitled to seats in the Convention, those who appeared and took seats are marked (*).

The report having been approved by the Convention, the secretary called the roll.

The election of secretary being next in order, the Rev. John K. Dunn was unanimously re-elected.

The rules of order having been suspended to admit the motion, it was

Resolved, That visiting clergy from other dioceses, clergy engaged in missionary work in this diocese, although not canonically resident, and candidates for orders, be invited to seats in this Convention.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees, viz :

On Admission of New Parishes—Revs. L. L. Holden, Geo. Turner, and Messrs. E. D. Cook and C. F. Kendall.

On Constitution and Canons—Revs. C. Reynolds, D.D., J. H. Lee, D. O. Kellogg, jr., and Hons. W. H. Canfield and A. G. Otis.

On Diocesan Institutions—Revs. J. M. Kendrick, A. Beatty, P. N. Meade, and Messrs. G. Geiger and E. M. Bartholow.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. J. A. Woodward, Dr. J. H. Stringfellow, and H. G. Beatty, Esq.

On Finance—Rev. J. N. Lee, and Messrs. S. Reynolds and W. W. Wright.

The rules of order having been suspended for the purpose, on motion, it was

Resolved, That to-morrow being Ascension Day, the Holy Communion be celebrated in connection with the opening service.

The Bishop read his annual address. (Appendix A).

On motion, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the support of the Episcopate, be referred to a committee of five to report to the Convention previous to adjournment.

The chair appointed as such committee, Rev. J. N. Lee, and Messrs. W. W. Wright, S. Reynolds, A. G. Otis and G. Geiger.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the neglect of our parishes in taking up diocesan and other missionary collections, and the collection required by Canon 9 of our diocese, be referred to a committee of three, for the purpose of presenting the matter for action at this Convention.

The chair appointed as such committee, Rev. J. M. Kendrick, Rev. M. Maury and E. H. Comstock, Esq.

The treasurer asked further time in which to report.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes reported that they had examined the application and certificate of the newly organized parish of St. Mark's, Blue Rapids, and found them correct in form, and in compliance with the constitution of the diocese, and they therefore recommended the admission of said parish to representation in this Convention; whereupon, on motion, it was so admitted.

The Committee on Qualifications reported that they had examined the certificate of delegates from St. Mark's parish, Blue Rapids, and that Mr. E. H. Comstock had been duly elected delegate from said parish, who, his name being called upon the roll, answered thereto, and took his seat.

The registrar reported as follows :

The registrar reports the following additions during the year, to the documents in his charge :

No. 26. Journals of the Twelfth Annual Convention of the diocese of Kansas.

No. 27. Parish Churchman, published in the parish of the church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, from May, 1871, to May, 1872.

J. M. KENDRICK, *Registrar*.

Diocese of Kansas, May 8, 1872.

In behalf of the special committee, to whom the matter had been referred at the Convention of 1869 (see Journal of that year, page 16), the Rev. Dr. C. Reynolds, chairman, reported, that the Prairie City property had been sold in accordance with the instructions of the Convention, and recommended the passage of the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted :

Resolved, That the treasurer be instructed to pay over to the Bishop the sum of \$579.00, the net proceeds of the sale of the Prairie City property, in order that he may apply the same towards the new building for the Episcopal Female Seminary at Topeka.

The Standing Committee presented the following report :

The Standing Committee was duly organized on Monday, the 15th of May, A. D., 1871, by the choice of Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., as President, and Rev. J. K. Dunn as Secretary. The committee have had eight meetings. They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Rev. Marc Anthony De Wolf Howe, D.D., Bishop elect of the diocese of Central Pennsylvania, and the Rev. William Bell White Howe, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of the diocese of South Carolina. They have signed the canonical testimonials of Mr. Charles Holmes, recommending him to be admitted to the order of Deacons. They have recommended the following persons to be admitted as candidates for Holy

orders, viz: Mr. Charles Holmes, a minister of the Methodist denomination, and Mr. J. Calcott Pratt. They have taken action in conjunction with the Bishop, in regard to certain questions of discipline which came before them. They have approved certain bills in favor of the Bishop and the Rev. D. W. Lathrop, D.D., of San Francisco, California, for expenses incurred in behalf of the diocese. They have approved the bill of W. T. Sinclair for Notary's fees in a case of discipline.

(Signed)

CHAS. REYNOLLS, *President*.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary*.

The Executive Missionary Committee, and the Visitors of Diocesan Institutions, asked further time to report.

The Parochial Reports were presented to the Bishop. (Appendix B.)

The Committee on New Parishes reported that they had examined the application and certificate of the newly organized parish of St. Paul's church, Chetopa, and found them correct in form, and in compliance with the constitution of the diocese, and therefore recommended the admission of said parish to representation, whereupon, on motion, it was so admitted.

Miscellaneous business being now in order, on motion, the following change in Article IX, of the Constitution, laid over from the last Convention, was taken up, and on a vote by orders, unanimously adopted. (See Journal of last Convention, page 26.)

ARTICLE IX—SECTION 4.

SEC. 4. Any five members of the committee, the whole having been duly summoned, shall be a quorum, except for such purposes as by their own rules, or by the laws of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

The committee shall, on the requisition of the Bishop, be summoned as a Council of Advice, by the President, or, in case of his inability to act, through absence or sickness, by the Secretary.

Special meetings may be called by the President, or by the Secretary at the request of the Bishop.

A proposal to amend section 1, article II, of the Constitution, so as to read "on the second Wednesday in

September, after the year 1873," was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Treasurer presented his Annual Report (Appendix C). whereupon, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the treasurer of this Convention is hereby instructed to issue a circular letter to each parish of the diocese, giving notice of the amount due from each parish respectively, to the treasurer of the Diocesan Convention, and requesting payment of the same on or before the meeting of the Diocesan Convention to be held next thereafter.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

In the evening, at a public meeting in the church after Divine Service, addresses were made by several of the clergy upon subjects relating to personal and practical religion.

THURSDAY, May 9, 1872, ASCENSION DAY,
8 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention reassembled. Morning Prayer was read to the Creed by the Rev. M. Maury, and from the Creed by the Rev. J. M. Kendrick.

The Bishop read the Ante-Communion Service.

Being Ascension Day, the Holy Communion was administered, the Rev. Messrs. Kendrick and Maury assisting the Bishop in the administration.

At the close of Divine Service, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved, and the roll was called.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported.

The Executive Missionary Committee reported as follows :

First annual report of the " Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Kansas " for year ending 8th May, 1872 :

At the request of the Bishop, the committee held its first meeting in Lawrence, on the first day of June, 1871, and organized.

The Bishop placed at the control of the committee the sum of (\$1,127.68) eleven hundred and twenty-seven dollars and sixty-eight cents, the proceeds of collections made under an old resolution of the Diocesan Convention, and then in his hands.

The committee adopted four missionary stations and circuits; to wit: South Leavenworth (1), Paola and Ottawa (2), Shawnee, Saline and Pottawatomie counties (3), and Douglas and Jefferson counties (4).

The mission at South Leavenworth was put under the charge of Rev. J. M. Kendrick, and the Canonical collections for diocesan missions made in the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, appropriated to its support.

The Rev. J. W. Norwood was appointed missionary under this committee for stations in Douglas and Jefferson counties, and three hundred (\$300.00) dollars appropriated for his annual stipend, from June to June.

Other appropriations made by the committee were as follows: Two hundred (\$200.00) dollars to be used at the discretion of the Bishop for the support of services at Paola and Ottawa, three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the support of services in Shawnee, Saline and Pottawatomie counties.

The actual disbursements, under the resolutions of the committee, have been:

To Rev. J. W. Norwood.....	\$ 300.00
To Paola and Ottawa missions.....	100.00
To Saline, Shawnee and Pottawatomie.....	300.00
To South Leavenworth.....	59.00
Total.....	\$ 759.00

The receipts of the committee have been—

Cash received from Rt. Rev. T. H. Vail, D.D., being balance of missionary collections on 10th May, 1871.....	\$ 1,127.68
Trinity church, Lawrence, cash.....	132.63
Trinity church, Atchison, cash.....	25.00
Grace church, Topeka, cash.....	95.87
St. Paul (S. S.) Leavenworth, cash.....	8.70
St. Paul church, Leavenworth, cash.....	59.00
St. Luke's church, Wamego, cash.....	11.55
St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, cash.....	10.80
St. Andrew's church, Emporia, cash.....	5.50
St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, cash.....	4.11
Christ's church, Salina, cash.....	3.10
Church of the Covenant, Junction City, cash.....	21.70
Church of the Ascension, Burlington, cash.....	13.00
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, cash.....	3.25
Mission, Auburn, cash.....	2.50
Interest on deposit, cash.....	13.50

Total.....	\$ 1,537.89
Deduct payments reported above.....	750.00
Balance on hand, 8th May, 1872.....	\$ 778.89

Respectfully submitted, for the committee,

D. O. KELLOGG, JR., *Secretary.*

The following report was presented :

The Board of Visitors and Examiners of the Diocesan Female Seminary beg leave to report that the institution continues to be in a highly prosperous condition, and the foundation is being laid surely and steadily for a school of the highest character. Some of the examinations held during the year have been attended by members of the Board with much satisfaction. There are classes now in all the studies of the "full course," and all who enter the Seminary enjoy the advantage of the highest literary training in connection with the sacred influence of a Christian home. Three young ladies graduated at the close of the last academical year, having passed a satisfactory examination in all the prescribed studies. We again commend this excellent school to the patronage of all who desire for their daughters and wards an education under the best literary and Christian influences.

For the Board,
A. BEATTY.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported as follows :

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the proposed change of Section 1 of Article II of the Constitution, as offered by Dr. Reynolds, have duly considered the same, and recommend its passage and reference to the next Annual Convention.

In the proposed change strike out the word "May," in the second line of said section, and insert the word "September," and after the word "annually," in said second line, insert in parenthesis the words "(after the year 1873)."

For the Committee,
CHAS. REYNOLDS, *Chairman*.

Which report was, on motion, adopted, and the proposed change approved.

The hour of 11 o'clock having now arrived, and according to the rules, elections being in order, on motion the rules were suspended to hear further reports from the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The committee reported a proposed amendment to Section 3 of Article III of the Constitution, changing the mode of representation in the Convention so that the number of lay-delegates from each parish should be

proportioned to the number of communicants in said parish, instead of three to each parish, as now.

The change proposed was as follows :

“ Every parish, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay-delegate or delegates, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry. Every parish numbering twenty-five or less communicants, shall be entitled to one delegate. Every parish numbering more than twenty-five and not more than fifty communicants, shall be entitled to two delegates. Every parish numbering more than fifty and not more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to three delegates. Every parish numbering more than one hundred communicants shall be entitled to four delegates. The delegation from each parish represented shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to the full number of votes to which said parish is entitled.”

A change in Canon IV was also proposed, to make it correspond with this proposed change in the Constitution.

The whole subject of these proposed changes was, after some discussion, referred to a special committee of six, to report at the next Convention.

The chair appointed as such committee Revs. D. O. Kellogg, jr., C. Reynolds, D.D., J. M. Kendrick, and Messrs. W. W. Wright, A. G. Otis, and E. M. Bartholow.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported with recommendation a proposed change in Section 2 of Article IV of the Constitution, by which in the third line of said section, immediately after the words “ at the opening of the Convention,” shall be inserted the words “ or at any service during the Convention.”

A change in Canon IV, Section 1, was proposed as follows :

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each parish an election of a Vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall be male communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall be of the electors in the parish.

On motion, said proposed change was referred to a special committee of three, to report at the next Convention.

The chair appointed as such committee Rev. J. N. Lee, and Messrs. E. D. Cook and A. G. Otis.

The order of business being suspended for the purpose, an invitation was received from the Chancellor of the State University, Gen. John Frazer, in person, that the members of the Convention should visit the New University building at such hour as might suit their convenience, in carriages to be provided by him for the purpose.

On motion the invitation was accepted with thanks, and 5 p. m. designated as the hour for said visit.

The order of business being resumed, the Committee on Constitution and Canons reported with approval certain proposed changes in Canon VI.

After discussion, the proposed changes were severally acted on, and the Canon as a whole, adopted as follows :

CANON VI.

TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN.

SECTION 1. If any minister of this Church have committed offenses for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, or if he be accused, by public rumor, of such offenses, a formal complaint in writing, stating the offenses charged, may be made to the Bishop, by any three communicants of this Church, one of whom at least shall be a Presbyter.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall thereupon institute an enquiry, as to the truth of the charges made, and if, upon such enquiry, there be *prima facie* evidence against the accused, he shall report the facts to the Standing Committee, who shall thereupon make further enquiry, and if they deem the charges well founded, shall present said Clergyman to the Bishop for trial. In the presentment, which shall be written, the charges shall be distinct and definite, and under each separate charge, the specifications of particular acts shall be made clear and exact, as to time, place, and circumstances of the offenses charged.

SEC. 3. The presentment being received, the Bishop shall carefully consider it, and, if he deem the offenses charged, or any of the offenses charged, as not coming within the intention of the Canon of the General Convention which defines the offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, he shall return the presentment, or that part of it to which he finds objection, to the

Standing Committee, stating to them, in writing, his reasons for so doing; whereupon, if the Standing Committee shall concur with him in his action, they shall communicate to him, in writing, their concurrence, and the presentment, or that part of it in the objection to which they concur, shall be dismissed, and the accused shall be notified of the result. But, if the Standing Committee do not concur with the Bishop in his action, they shall so inform him in writing, and may thereupon renew the presentment or that part of it in the objection to which they do not concur, in which case the accused shall be tried as presented.

SEC. 4. The Bishop may, if he deem it proper, prohibit the accused from the exercise of his ministry, during the period between his final reception of the presentment, and the acquittal certified or the sentence pronounced by him, after the judgment of the Court upon the trial. And during the same period he may appoint or authorize other clergymen to exercise ministerial duties in the parish where the accused was officiating. But such prohibition shall not, during the time of its continuance, affect the Rectorial relations of the accused, if he be settled in a parish, except in acts ministerial and pastoral.

SEC. 5. Upon the renewal of the presentment, in whole or in part, as the case may be, or, if upon first receiving it, he shall deem the offenses charged to be such as are contemplated in the Canon aforesaid, the Bishop shall appoint a time, and a place as near as convenient to the place where the offenses charged are alleged to have been committed, for the trial, and shall select and summon a Board of four Presbyters, none of whom shall be members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the judges both of the law and the facts; and he shall, at least seventy days before the time appointed for the trial, inform the Standing Committee of his action in these particulars. He shall, at least six weeks before the time appointed for the trial, furnish the names of the Board to the accused, who shall have the right at any time prior to three weeks before the day fixed for the trial, to peremptorily challenge two of them, and also to challenge any member of the Court who may have formed or expressed against the accused an opinion, as to the facts charged in the presentment, of such prejudice as to disqualify him from acting impartially as a member of the Court; and, in the case of the exercise of this right by the accused, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters in the place of those challenged, and these second appointees shall not be subject to challenge, except for prejudice. The Board will then be ready to be organized as a Court. When any member of the Court is challenged for cause, as having formed or expressed a prejudiced opinion as to the facts charged against the accused, the Bishop shall test the exception taken, as the Judge does in similar cases in the secular courts, and his decision shall be final. Should any of the Presbyters summoned give notice to the Bishop, before the day appointed for the trial, of

unavoidable inability to be present, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy. Or, should any of the Presbyters summoned, through death, or sickness, or other unavoidable cause of absence, fail to be present on the day appointed for the trial, the members present may adjourn until the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy, or, if the party accused shall waive the requirement of four judges, the trial may proceed before the members present.

SEC. 6. Upon the application of either party, before the organization of the Court, the Bishop may appoint a Commissary to take the testimony of any material witnesses who cannot be procured upon the trial. Sufficient notice having been given by the Commissary to both parties, they may attend and before him examine the witness, who may be sworn or affirmed by some lawfully authorized officer. The questions and answers reduced to writing and signed by the witness, shall be certified by the Commissary, under his seal, and transmitted to the Bishop, to be by him laid before the Court, and shall be received by them as evidence. If the prosecution, or if the defense request it, the Bishop may show these depositions to either or to both of the parties prior to the trial.

SEC. 7. It is hereby declared and made the duty of all Presbyters of this diocese, when selected and summoned to attend and act in any trial of a clergyman, to obey the summons, and no excuse from the duty, but that of unavoidable necessity, shall be allowed.

SEC. 8. The Court shall be organized by the election of one of the members as President, and the appointment of a Clerk, who may or may not be a member, who shall take accurate notes of all the testimony, and make a careful record of all the proceedings, which notes and record shall be approved and authenticated by the Court. And they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. If the accused have been, at any previous time, adjudged guilty by an ecclesiastical court, or have had a sentence pronounced against him, for the same or similar offenses as those now charged, such fact shall be laid before the Court, as a part of the evidence touching the general moral character of the accused in relation to the charges now made, and in this bearing shall be taken into consideration by the Court. Evidence of general good character may be also offered by the accused on his part, and when so offered, it may be rebutted by evidence against the same, to be offered on the part of the prosecution. The Court shall have power to employ a proper legal officer for the administration of oaths and affirmations, to receive testimony, oral and written, to summon and examine witnesses, to take order for the procuring of depositions, and to do whatever is necessary for the due investigation of the charges on the trial.

SEC. 9. The Standing Committee shall be the prosecutors in the case, and shall appoint one of their number a Judge Advocate to conduct the prosecution. They shall cite the accused to trial, giving him, at least sixty days before the trial, a copy of the presentment, and at least sixty days' notice of the time and place of trial, and he shall not be tried, unless he himself request it, on any other charges or specifications except those contained in the presentment. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the ground of his defense on each specification, or with a denial, general or specific, of the specifications.

SEC. 10. If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear or to answer in person, or by his authorized representative, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and the Bishop shall pronounce against him the sentence of suspension from the ministry for contumacy and violation of this Canon, until he shall tender himself for trial on the presentment, but the said sentence shall be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall declare himself ready to appear and answer before the Court, and, whenever he shall so declare himself, the Court shall proceed in the trial; but if he shall not so declare and tender himself within six months, the Bishop may, at any time thereafter, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, pronounce against him, for his continued contumacy and violation of this Canon, the sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SEC. 11. If the accused shall appear, the Court shall proceed to trial on the presentment, and shall judge him guilty or not guilty, on the several charges and specifications, according to the evidence; and, if he be found guilty, the Court shall declare to the Bishop the Canonical sentence to which he ought, in their judgment, to be subjected.

SEC. 12. An attested copy of the presentment, of the answer of the accused, of the notes of the evidence, and of the final judgment of the Court—being of the entire record of the Court—shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall, within ten days, give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, with a copy, if the accused desired it, of the judgment of the Court on the several charges and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same charges. If the Court judge him *guilty* on one or more of the charges or specifications, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment, and order a revision or reconsideration of the evidence, and the rendering of a new judgment, in the points disapproved: or, if new and important evidence in the case be laid before him, he shall recommit the case to the Court and order a new trial, stating his reasons in either case for such a decision; or, if he approve the judgment, he shall, within

thirty days, pronounce against the accused such Canonical sentence as the case may, in his judgment, require, whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, provided the penalty be not greater than that expressed in the judgment of the Court.

SEC. 13. If, in the absence of public rumor, or of a formal complaint, or if, at any time before or after a formal complaint, as provided for in the first section of this Canon, and before the selection and summoning of the Court or Board of four Presbyters, provided for in the fourth section of this Canon, a clergyman shall confess to the Bishop that he is guilty of any offense or offenses, for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, such confession, in the form of a statement made in writing, by such clergyman, may be laid by the Bishop before the clerical members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the Court for such case, and who shall, thereupon, as soon as they conveniently can do so, communicate to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the party confessing, and as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced. If the Bishop approve the judgment, he shall, within ten days, pronounce sentence as prescribed and authorized in the latter clause of section 12.

If, after the summoning of the Court, and before or during the trial, the accused shall confess the substantial truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, or shall confess to any offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, the Court may be immediately organized, and may dispense with hearing testimony after such confession, and shall proceed at once to state to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the accused, and the sentence that ought to be pronounced, and the Bishop shall, within ten days, proceed to pronounce sentence as directed in the previous paragraph of this section.

SEC. 14. In case of the suspension of any clergyman, such suspension is understood to be from the exercise of the functions of the ministry, and shall be for a limited period, or until the offender gives to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of contrition and reformation, or it may include both these conditions. Suspension shall, *ipso facto*, sever the connection between the clergyman so suspended and his parish, and, also, during the period of its continuance, vacate his seat in the Diocesan Convention.

SEC. 15. In all trials, the accused may employ as counsel a lay communicant of this church, in which case the prosecutors may exercise the same privilege.

SEC. 16. Every summons, notice, or citation mentioned in this Canon, as a part of these proceedings, shall be deemed to be duly served by the delivery of a written notice or paper to the person to be summoned, notified, or cited, or by leaving it or a certified copy of it at his residence or last known residence, by a person duly appointed, in writing, by the Bishop, Standing Committee, or Court.

On motion, the Rev. Thompson L. Smith was granted leave of absence on account of sickness.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which, on motion, was laid on the table for further consideration.

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report :

We find on examination that the report of the Treasurer of the Convention is correct in every particular.

We regret to observe a deficit in the accounts of several parishes with the Convention, amounting in the aggregate to \$135.00. Notwithstanding which, a balance appears in the hands of the Treasurer in favor of the Convention, amounting to \$424.20.

We recommend to the Convention for its action the following resolution :

Resolved, That parishes of the diocese be assessed for the next Conventional year the following amounts, respectively ; said assessment to be payable at or before the Convention of 1873, viz :

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$ 40.00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	75.00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	15.00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	55.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	10.00
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	15.00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	25.00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5.00
Christ Church, Salina.....	5.00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	5.00
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	5.00
Total.....	\$385.00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. N. LEE,
W. W. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL REYNOLDS. } *Committee.*

The following report was presented, which, on motion, was adopted, and the resolution offered therein, passed unanimously :

The committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's address referring to the support of the Episcopate, beg leave to recommend to the Convention the passage of the following preamble and resolution, viz :

Whereas, There is found in the hands of the Treasurer of the Convention a handsome balance over all probable needful demands for the expenses of the coming year, therefore

Resolved, That the Convention, before proceeding to some more systematic arrangement in the matter referred to it, hereby appropriates from any funds of the Convention in the hands of the Treasurer, the sum of \$250 towards the support of the Episcopate of the diocese until the Convention of 1873, said sum to be payable to the order of the Bishop.

J. N. LEE, GEO. GEIGER, A. G. OTIS, SAMUEL REYNOLDS, W. W. WRIGHT.	}	Committee.
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On motion, the last mentioned committee was continued, with instructions to report to the next Annual Convention some definite and systematic plan for the support of the Episcopate.

On motion, the lay delegates from the parishes at Leavenworth and Atchison, were granted leave of absence.

On motion, the Convention took a recess till 3 o'clock p. m.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, May 9, 1872, 3 o'clock.

The Convention re-assembled, the Bishop in the chair.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Dr. A. C. Allen, lay-delegate from the church of the Epiphany in the city of Independence, be admitted to an honorary seat in this Convention.

The following report was presented by the committee on Diocesan Institutions :

The Committee on Diocesan Institutions have received the report of the Examiners of the Young Ladies' Seminary at Topeka, the report of the Princi-

pal made to the Bishop, and they have listened to the statements of the Bishop upon the subject in his address. Everything which has come to the attention of the committee has been satisfactory. The Bishop states that the new seminary building will be so nearly completed this fall as to admit of a partial occupancy. The report of the Examining Committee speaks in high terms of the instruction in the institution. From the report of the Principal of the Institution, we take the following facts: The whole number of scholars enrolled during the year, has been 133, of these 35 have been boarders and 98 day scholars. The number of scholars received from church patronage has been thirty-one. The present year will probably show a deficit in current receipts. This has been owing to the general financial condition of the country. It is thought that this difficulty will be speedily overcome. The committee are satisfied that the religious instruction in the institution is thoroughly and wisely given. The institution is very earnestly commended to the support of the diocese.

J. M. KENDRICK,	} Committee.
P. N. MEADE,	
E. M. BARTHOLOW,	
A. BEATTY.	

Diocese of Kansas, May 9, A. D. 1872.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the order of the day.

Elections being now in order, on motion, the Rev. John Bakewell was unanimously re-elected treasurer, and the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, registrar of the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders, for members of the Standing Committee. The clergy chose, and the laity approved the following as clerical members: The Rev. Messrs. Chas. Reynolds, D.D., J. K. Dunn, John Bakewell, and J. M. Kendrick. The laity in like manner chose and the clergy approved the following as lay members: Messrs. Samuel Reynolds, J. C. Horton, W. W. Nevison and E. M. Bartholow.

On motion, the chair appointed Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Rev. L. L. Holden and Mr. E. D. Cook, a Committee to make nominations for the Executive Missionary Committee for the ensuing year.

The Committee, after consultation, reported the following names for said Executive Missionary Committee : The Revs. J. N. Lee, J. Bakewell, J. K. Dunn and D. O. Kellogg, jr., and Messrs. S. Reynolds, J. C. Horton, G. W. Smith, sr., and Geo. Geiger.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the above named persons declared duly elected.

On motion, the chair appointed Revs. J. N. Lee, J. Bakewell and Mr. E. M. Bartholow, committee to make nominations for the Visitors and Examiners of the Diocesan Female Seminary.

The committee reported the following names for said visitors and examiners : The Revs. A. Beatty, J. H. Lee, J. M. Kendrick, J. Bakewell, D. O. Kellogg, jr., M. Maury, and J. W. Farnsworth, Esq., the Misses E. P. Leonard, O. E. Clement, and Mrs. R. C. Geiger.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the above named persons declared duly elected visitors and examiners of the Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka.

The following report was adopted :

The committee appointed to report upon that part of the Bishop's address which refers to the neglect of our parishes in taking up the diocesan and other missionary collections recommended by the Canons of the diocese, would respectfully report :

That while the committee feel that the missionary collections cannot and ought not to be enforced by legislative enactments, but must be the free will offerings of God's people, whose consciences are enlightened by his Word, and whose hearts are warmed by his love ; they would yet call attention to the fact that out of twenty-six parishes organized in this diocese, only thirteen have, during the past year, reported any collection for diocesan missions, and that only seven of these thirteen have made as many collections as the Canon calls for, while several have made only a single collection, and that only at the time of the Bishop's visitation. In view of these facts, the committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed to forward quarterly to each minister in the diocese, a circular letter calling his attention to Canon VIII, and urging him to comply with the recommendations thereof, and to Canon IX, early in December of every year.

Resolved, That each minister of this diocese be requested to preach at least one sermon a year to his people teaching and enforcing their obligations to the missionary work of the church.

J. H. LEE,
M. MAURY,
E. H. COMSTOCK. } *Committee.*

On motion, the resolutions presented in the above report were unanimously adopted.

The report of the Committee on Finance (see page 20) was then taken from the table, considered and adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be a committee to publish two hundred copies of the old unpublished Journals of the diocese.

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be a committee to publish five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The special committee to whom was referred, by the last Convention, the question of biennial sessions of the Convention, reported that they deemed it inexpedient to take any further action in the matter, which report, on motion, was adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held at the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Convention be tendered to the rector, wardens, vestry and members of Trinity church, and also to the people of Lawrence, for the kind hospitality with which they have received the members of this Convention.

The hour of five o'clock having arrived, the Convention took a recess till seven o'clock this evening, that the members might visit the new University building, in accordance with the courteous invitation of the Chancellor, previously accepted.

THURSDAY EVENING, May 9, 1872, 7 o'clock.

The Convention reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention, for reduction of fare, be tendered to the following railroads, viz: Kansas Pacific, Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf, Missouri Pacific, Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston, Union Pacific, C. B., Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe.

Business being concluded, the minutes of the day were read and approved, and after the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL, *President*.JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary*.

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APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

In the retrospect of our Diocesan work during the past Conventional year, while to my own view it seems the busiest and most laborious year of my whole Episcopate, yet there is less of detail to be reported to you, because of my long absence from the Diocese.

Immediately upon the close of our last Annual Convention, I went, in company with the Rev. Thompson L. Smith, to Girard, in Cherokee county, where, on the evening of Friday, May 12th, 1871, I baptized one (1) infant and one (1) adult, and after preaching, confirmed two (2) persons, and made an address. There are a few of our people in this place, devoted to their church, and anxious for regular services. At the last Convention, the parish of St. John's church in this place was admitted into union with our body. But, owing to the very limited number of our clergy, and the lack of pecuniary ability on our part to support missionaries. Services by the clergy have been held in this parish only two or three times in the course of the year. Lay-reading, however, has been done frequently, by a devoted member of our church there resident.

From Girard, after visiting the people, we went down to Baxter Springs, in Crawford county, where I spent Sunday, May 14th.

In the morning of this day, I preached in a large school house to a crowded congregation. In the evening, we met in a large public hall which was equally crowded, where I preached, baptized one (1) adult, confirmed two (2) persons, and made an address. The parish of St. Mark's church in this place was also admitted into union with this body at the last Convention. The people have manifested a lively interest in the establishment of our services. The foundations of a church building have been laid, and it is hoped, that, in the course of the present year the superstructure may be completed.

A very generous gift of \$500, has been presented to this parish, to aid in the erection of a church, by a noble-minded lady of Philadelphia, who has already done most generous deeds for this Diocese at other points, and who, not willing to let "her left hand know what her right hand doeth," forbids me to give her name. In the great Day, when He, who seeth in secret what his loving servants do, will reward them openly, she will find the benediction that is waiting for her, while now she feels the quiet recompense of an approving conscience. Would there were many such! The Rev. Mr. Smith has devoted most of his time to this parish during the past year.

On Monday evening we were at Columbus, in Crawford county, where we visited the few of our people resident there, and held a Service, whereat both my companion and myself made addresses, in a public hall. No organization has yet been effected here. If we had the missionaries for the open field of one hundred and fifty miles, all along the line of the road on which these towns are located, and on which so many others are every month springing up, our parishes could be rapidly multiplied. At Columbus I baptized one (1) infant. There are several communicants and warmly-attached members of our church at this point.

Sunday, May 21st, was spent in Atchison, where I preached both morning and evening. On Wednesday and Thursday of the same week I was at Topeka on the business of the Seminary.

Sunday, the 28th, Whit Sunday, was spent in Ottawa, where, in the Presbyterian church kindly lent to me for our Services, I preached in the morning, and made an address in the evening. The Rev. James A. Woodward, missionary at Paola and parts adjacent, was with me, assisting in the Services, and preaching in the evening. There are several of our people in this very important town, and there is a general friendly appreciation of our church, but there does not seem to be as yet quite strength sufficient to sustain a vigorous and persevering effort for the establishment of a parish. I can not but believe that a successful effort to this end will be soon made. The Rev. Joseph R. Norwood, Deacon, has during the past year occasionally officiated here.

On Sunday, June 4th, Trinity Sunday, visited Grace church, Topeka. In the morning made addresses and confirmed eleven (11) persons; in the evening, made addresses, and confirmed one (1) person, making twelve (12) persons confirmed that day. The parish was without a Rector. But the Rev. D. O. Kellogg, jr., Professor in the State University, was supplying to the parish its Sunday Services, to which he added, as he was able, some pastoral care. The large class presented for confirmation, shows his fidelity. We may add, that his valuable services were continued in the same relation, until the first of November, when the Rev. John Bakewell, late Rector of Trinity church, Atchison, entered upon his duties as the Rector of Grace church.

On Sunday, June 11th, supplied the parish of Trinity church, Lawrence, all day, while the Rev. John K. Dunn, the Rector, went to Humboldt, to officiate at the Emmanuel Mission in that thriving town.

On Friday of this week, went to Atchison, to start from that point upon a missionary trip along the line of the Central Branch of the U. P. R. R., and on Saturday went to Blue Rapids, in Marshall county, meeting on the way the Rev. George Turner, missionary at points on this road.

On Sunday, June 18th, I officiated at Blue Rapids, in the large school house in the afternoon, preaching, baptizing three (3) infants, confirming two (2) persons and making an address, and in the evening preaching again. There is a thrifty little organization here bearing the name of St. Mark's church, which has been under the special oversight of Mr. Charles Holmes, Lay-Reader and Candidate for Orders, subordinate to the general charge of the ordained missionary. This parish has, in the same way, been sustained through the year; and it is hoped, will in due time, with some help, be able to build a church and maintain a permanent existence. How many cases just like this present themselves every where in this Diocese. If we could only have the means for sustaining these missions and aiding to build these churches, there could be, this very year, established within this Diocese from twenty to thirty new parishes, with the fairest promise of permanent success.

Mr. Holmes has this morning been admitted to the Order of Deacons in your presence, having been present-

ed by the Rev. George Turner, one of his Examiners, and who, in his oversight of the mission at Blue Rapids, where Mr. Holmes resides and has been the Lay-Reader, has had excellent opportunities of becoming acquainted with the qualifications of our newly-ordained brother. I am sure our prayers will all ascend earnestly for God's blessing upon him whom we now welcome into the ranks of the ministry.

On the next day, Monday the 19th, we came on our way back from Blue Rapids to Wathena, where we held Service in the evening, in a school house, Mr. Turner reading and I preaching. Quite a full congregation met us, two families of our people coming several miles for the purpose. With one of these, Mr. De Forest's, we returned to their home, where we received a most hospitable welcome, and made a short but delightful visit.

On the next day, Tuesday, in the afternoon, we were carried by our kind host seven miles to Netawaka, where we held Service in the evening, and I preached to a full congregation in a Baptist church, built in chief part, I am told, by the very large donation of \$500 from a member of our church in the city of New York.

On the next day, Wednesday, we went in the stage to Holton, the shire-town of Jackson county, where we were entertained by a kind family of our church, and where, after the Service conducted by Mr. Turner, I preached to a full house, in the Methodist church.

The day following, Thursday, found us at New Malden, where we were kindly welcomed at the house of one of our people, and where, in the very convenient school house, Mr. Turner read the Evening Prayer, and I preached, and administered the Holy Communion. We reached the house of our hostess on our return at midnight. On Friday I parted from my good brother, and came home to Lawrence by the way of Atchison and Leavenworth.

On the Sunday following, June 25th, officiated at Topeka, all day, and in the evening confirmed one (1) person, in Grace church.

The next Sunday, July 2d, at Ottawa, read prayers and preached, both morning and evening, in a vacated school house, hired by our friends and fitted up for our Services.

On Sunday, July 9th, officiated in Trinity church, Lawrence, for the Rector, who was absent on missionary duty at Ottawa. I, also, administered the Holy Communion.

On Sunday, July 16th, officiated at Paola, the shire-town of Miami county. A large and fine hall has here been rented by our people, and admirably prepared with all suitable arrangements for church uses. In the morning, after an address, confirmed two (2) persons, and gave a charge. It was the hottest day of the year, and in the evening, with the thermometer at 120 degrees of Fahrenheit, in our room lighted by many lamps, it was found impossible, both for the people who assembled and for ourselves, to do more than to abbreviate the Service, and after a very short address of five minutes, to dismiss the congregation. The prospect of establishing a church in this important town seems good. The Rev. James A. Woodward, missionary at this place and parts adjacent, was received into this Diocese on Letter Dimissory from Iowa, on June 24th, 1871. He has been faithfully and laboriously exercising his ministry, and has organized a parish here by the name of St James's Church.

On Sunday, July 23d, visited Wamego, in Pottawatomie county, and in the morning, in a hall, rented and arranged for our Services, officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. H. Lee, and the Rev. J. N. Lee, preaching and administering the Holy Communion. In the evening, after a sermon by the Rev. J. N. Lee, I confirmed one (1) person, and gave a charge. The Rev. J. H. Lee has supplied this people with gratuitous Services for two or three years, on every alternate Sunday. He has been very faithful, and it seems, as though in the increase of the little parish and the growth of the place, the time has arrived when an effort should be seriously made for the building of a church.

On Sunday, July 30th, in the absence of the Rector on an exchange, I buried, in Lawrence, two children, one of these in the morning, and the other in the afternoon.

On the next day, Monday, July 31st, started on a brief visit to my friend and brother Bishop Randall, at Denver. Although having a pass in my pocket for this trip for some three years, from the first opening of the road, I had never been able to find a week for such a trip. On

Tuesday evening we reached Denver; on Wednesday I went in the stage to Georgetown, the farthest town in the Rocky Mountains; on Thursday to Idaho; and on Friday, back to Golden City, where I visited Jarvis Hall; and on Saturday left the Hall, with the Bishop, who had come out to meet me from Denver. Here I spent the Sunday and officiated, by the Bishop's invitation, in his parish church of St. John's. My visit in Denver was, with the Bishop and his family, at Wolfe Hall. This school for girls, and Jarvis Hall the Collegiate Institution for boys and young men, are both admirable in their location. The buildings are fine and imposing in their appearance, and the Institutions are well conducted. They are essential to the religious and educational needs of that country, and seem to be for the present sufficient for their important purposes. I rejoice in the liberality of our Eastern brethren who have so generously furnished these agencies for good in Colorado, and I pray God to put it into the hearts of his favored children of the East, to provide proportionally for our own equally needy but ten-fold more numerous population.

On Monday I started on my return at 2 p. m., arrived at Ellis, the mid-way station between Denver and the Missouri river, yet a hundred miles within the western line of our extensive State. That evening I held the first public religious Service ever held in the settlement, in the large dining hall of Mr. Edward's hotel at the station. The hall was well filled with a congregation of some eighty persons, nearly all the adults in the settlement. With the aid of the Mission Services, we had good responses; and I preached the word of life. One devout church-woman came one hundred miles, from Brookville, the next division station eastward, to attend this Service. I record my thanks to my kind host and his family.

On the next day I went eastward eighty miles to Fort Harker, where I spent the night at the quarters of my venerable friend, the Rev. Wm. Vaux, Post Chaplain U. S. A. at this garrison, who entered this Diocese by Letter Dimissory from Bishop Quintard of Tennessee, on the 16th day of March, 1871. The next day found us, at 11 a. m., in the little church of the Holy Apostles at Ellsworth, four miles distant from the Fort. Here the

Chaplain read the Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed four (4) persons, addressed the confirmed, and administered the Holy Communion. Chaplain Vaux has very kindly and generously supplied the little parish at Ellsworth with Services every fortnight during his residence at the post, some two years, and has been to them as a pastor.

And here I must acknowledge the obligations of this Diocese to our Army Chaplains, who have been representatives of our most laborious and efficient presbyters. By their efforts several parishes have been originated and sustained, and I take pleasure in naming them, the Rev. Messrs. Clarkson and Henderson of Fort Riley, the Rev. Mr. Stone of Fort Leavenworth, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds of Fort Riley, and the Rev. Chaplain Vaux of Fort Harker. And I may add, that the military commandants on these frontier posts have always been willing to permit and further all such efforts of the Chaplains as could be made without interference with their proper official duties at these posts.

Leaving Ellsworth and Fort Harker on the afternoon of Thursday, I arrived at Salina in the evening just in time to proceed immediately to the Baptist church, where I found our people assembled, and where I read the Evening Prayer and preached. Afterwards baptized an infant at the house of one of the parishioners. A parish by the name of Christ Church has been organized here. The Rev. J. H. Lee, of Manhattan, officiates for them every alternate Sunday with much acceptance, and without a salary. A church building has been commenced, and, it is hoped, will be so far completed this autumn, as to enable the parish to occupy and use it for Divine Service. On Saturday I reached my home, where for the next three weeks I was laid up with a very lame foot and ankle, which had been sprained at Fort Harker, or perhaps further out on the great plains or on the mountains.

Saturday, September 2d, I was summoned to Topeka by telegraph, to bury a valued friend, a lady whom a year or two before I had confirmed, and whose home is sadly broken by her removal.

On the next day, Sunday, September 3d, went with the Rev. J. N. Lee, principal of our Diocesan Seminary,

to his mission at Monmouth, where we had the morning Prayer and I made an address. At this Service I baptized the infant son of the missionary, and another infant.

The next Sunday I spent at Lawrence, and in the morning preached.

On the next day went to Atchison on some official business, and on Tuesday, September 12th, was in Leavenworth, where, in the afternoon, at the Free Chapel of St. John, I made an address, confirmed two (2) persons, and gave a charge.

Throughout the entire summer I made frequent visits, averaging one a week, to Topeka, to inspect the work on the new seminary, and to see that our plans should all be carried out carefully, to pay the contractors, and attend to the various items of business and oversight constantly involved in so extensive and so important a work.

On the 27th of September, started for the East, to attend the General Convention to be holden at Baltimore, and having stopped over on Sunday in Pittsburgh (where in two of the churches I presented the needs of our Kansas work) reached Baltimore in time for the opening Services of the Convention on Wednesday morning at Emmanuel church.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Very much might be said about this gathering ever to be remembered of our church in Council. It had been preceded by serious and in some respects very earnest discussions. There was a need of increased liberty in ritual and ceremonial, not only in reference to the diversities of taste in the two opposite directions, but also to the ever-varying necessities, in a missionary point of view, of the times. The old and unreasoning conservatism, which practically claimed that the externals of church formularies were not made for man, but that man was made for them, was to be broken in upon. The day for some adaptation of church externals to men's changing needs and circumstances, had come. But how? There

was the question. The Bishops issued a Declaration designed to relieve the Baptismal controversy of some of its present and prominent difficulties. It was an experiment; and the permanent results remain to be seen in the future. Yet it has already been found to be very useful in quieting controversies; it has certainly relieved the church from many current prejudices and misrepresentations: it has shown among ourselves a more general and substantial agreement in principles than had been feared; and in one most important respect it has given unity to the doctrinal statements of our communion. It was an attempt eminently successful, as far as it goes, to heal a sore, and to supply a need, without entering upon the accumulating process of rubrical changes and the detailed revision of extensive formularies. Then came up all the other questions, where doctrine is not directly involved, of liturgical uniformity. To provide in detail for all the things that were desirable, and in which there might be special diversity not inconsistent with general uniformity, would have been a vast work, for which, indeed, the mind of the church is not yet quite prepared. So one thing was done, which itself might prepare for detailed action by-and-by, and which includes the results of an extended legislation, and thus saves the necessity of an immediate and formal legislation; and this one thing was to inaugurate a spirit of genuine toleration. This, I am sure, was done. Never have I seen so marked evidences of the presence of a Divine power, as in all that session of the House of Bishops. Our prayer was manifestly answered. The "Veni, Creator Spiritus" was realized. Such frankness of speech, such kind and honest consideration of differing opinions, such utter suppression of hostile wills, such readiness for concessions, such sincere appreciation

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of real differences, such searching for essentials amid diversities, such sweet brotherly kindness—it could not have come but from the present Spirit of God—it was God with us—the Emmanuel revealed in our souls through the Holy Ghost. Blessed be God for the gracious Gift. With Him how little of human legislation will suffice! Without Him the most elaborate codes of human laws are ineffective and vain. “Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.”

WORK AT THE EAST.

At the close of the Convention I devoted myself to the presentation of the necessities of our Diocese and especially of our Diocesan Seminary to our brethren at the East. All the Sundays, except during my sickness, from the time I left my home, and during the General Convention, were occupied with my work.

The first half of November I spent in Richmond, Virginia, in Washington and Baltimore, the latter half in Philadelphia. December was spent in Boston, and in Providence and Westerly, Rhode Island. About New Year's I started for New York and Philadelphia, intending to devote the month of January to our work in those cities. But a very severe attack of acute bronchitis contracted at that time confined me to the house, first, for nearly a fortnight in Philadelphia, and then, for five weeks in New York, disarranging my plans, and protracting my sojourn at the East at least a month longer than had been proposed. On the 8th of March I reached my home in Lawrence. I am not yet quite well; the rough winds of our changeful and backward spring occasionally bringing back my cough and aggravating it. Our days are in God's hands; and while I ask Him to spare me for longer work in this white harvest of our

beloved Diocesan field, I pray also to be submissive to His Holy and Best Will.

It was not a favorable season for our applications for help. Many were in the field. And the terrible fire at Chicago, not only by its engrossing call upon the charities of the country, but also by its seriously hampering the benevolent givers of the East, many of whom were sharing the loss of those burned up millions of property, had put a heavy bar between us and our kind contributors. Yet by such a calamity hearts are sometimes opened, and we found that there were many still able and willing to give. And, although there were not secured the means to entirely complete our Seminary Building, enough was raised to pay off all our previous indebtedness, to provide for several costly and needed extras, and to apply towards finishing so much of the building as will enable us to occupy it in the course of the next Autumn. God be praised !

VISITATIONS CONTINUED.

Through the most of March, I was confined to my home by a return of my illness, brought on by exposure at Topeka a few days after my return from the East.

On Easter Day, March 31st, made a visitation of Trinity church, Lawrence, made an address, confirmed twenty-two (22) persons, and gave a charge.

The next day, Easter Monday, April 1st, went to Manhattan, and officiated in St. Paul's church in the evening, preaching, confirming five (5) persons, and giving a charge. On the next morning, at 8 o'clock, in the same church, I solemnized matrimony between the Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector of the church, and Miss Anne Elizabeth Miller, step-daughter of M. J. Gove, Esq., of that city.

Mr. Cox is successfully prosecuting his clerical labors in St. Paul's church, and at the same time, having the charge as Principal of the graded public schools in Manhattan. I trust the day will yet come in our State, when our parishes will be sufficiently large to secure an entire

support to the clergy, that the clergy may give their undivided attention to the duties of their sacred calling.

The Sunday following, officiated again in Lawrence, reading prayers and preaching, in the absence of the Rector, who went to relieve a sick brother in a neighboring parish.

Sunday, April 24th, spent in Wyandotte, with the Rev. John Godfrey Jones, Rector of St. Paul's church. Mr. Jones was received into this Diocese, October 26th, 1871, by Letter Dimissory from Ohio. He brings the reputation of a faithful minister, and is doing much to unite and to strengthen the church under his care. On the morning of this visit baptized two (2) children, preached, confirmed six (6) persons, and gave a charge. In the evening, preached.

On the Sunday following, April 21st, visited Grace church, Topeka. In the morning preached; confirmed eleven (11) persons, and made an address. In the afternoon, made an address in a large public hall, before the united Sunday schools of the city. And in the evening, preached in Grace church. The Rev. John Bakewell entered upon the Rectorship of this church on the first of November last, having resigned the parish at Atchison some three months before, and having devoted the interim mainly to the improvement of his health, which had become quite impaired by steady devotion to the care of his first parish. In his new field he is very kindly received, and the Providential promise is for usefulness.

On the next afternoon, Monday the 22d, went with the Rev. J. N. Lee to Emmanuel Mission, Monmouth. Our Service was in the evening in the large school house recently finished in the neighborhood of the church. Mr. Lee baptized two (2) adults, and I preached, confirmed six (6) persons, and gave a charge. The beautiful new church is roofed in, and, it is hoped, will in the course of the summer be ready at least for occupancy, even if not completed. The people and the missionary are worthy of all praise.

On Tuesday, at Emporia, met the Rev. L. L. Holden, the late missionary at this point. Our Services were held, in the evening, in the new St. Andrew's church, although it is only enclosed and floored. A large con-

gregation filled the house; and I preached, confirmed three (3) persons, and gave a charge. This mission is now waiting for a missionary, the Rev. Mr. Holden having accepted an invitation to the Rectorship of the Church of the Ascension at Burlington, and proposing to devote his whole time to the latter place. It is hoped that the new church, so far advanced towards its completion, will in the course of the year be carried still farther in the same direction, until in due time it shall be finished in agreement with its present beautiful proportions and design.

On Wednesday, went down the Neosho Valley to Burlington. Here the old friends met me, in the evening, at the church, before and after Divine Service, the arrangements for an appointment on the following Friday at Topeka requiring me to leave for Emporia the same night at 11 o'clock. At this Service, the Rev. Messrs. Holden and Hickcox read the Evening Prayer, and I preached, confirmed one (1) person, and gave a charge.

Sunday, April 28th, found me at Junction City. Here on Saturday evening, I attended a union meeting of the Christian people of the town for exhortation and prayer, and made an address. A gracious influence from the Holy Spirit has moved upon many hearts along our Kansas Valley, and in other parts of the State, and some of our churches have felt the reviving to their great advantage both spiritual and temporal. The influence, I trust, will bring its blessing to the Church of the Covenant. The Rev. Magruder Maury was received into this Diocese by Letter Dimissory from Bishop Johns of Virginia, on the 13th of January of the present year; and entered upon the Rectorship of the Church of the Covenant on the 1st day of the same month. The parish had always heretofore been under the charge of the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, who reorganized it some eight years ago, and has held the Rectorship up to the entrance of the present incumbent. Never can his valuable services there be forgotten, nor can the parish be too sensible of the gratitude due to so faithful a friend. For the larger part of these years, ministering to that people with persevering fidelity, and sharing all their discouragements and vicissitudes, he has seen the feeble mission developing year by year, until now it stands completely

equipped among the strong churches of the Diocese. He may well rejoice in the fruit of his patient labors. In the course of the last year he resigned the charge, and now proposes to apply his spare time and services as he may have opportunity in other directions. The present Rector has the hearty love and the cordial co-operation of his people. At the morning Service I preached, confirmed six (6) persons, and gave a charge. The evening of the same day was spent at Fort Riley, where I preached in the beautiful little chapel, confirmed two (2) persons presented by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the Post Chaplain, and gave a charge.

On Wednesday evening of the same week, May 1st, attended Divine Service in Trinity church, Lawrence, made an address, preparatory to a second confirmation, administered the laying on of hands to eighteen (18) more persons, and gave a charge. The remarkable religious awakening in this city has been a great blessing to this hitherto feeble parish; and the activity and fidelity of the Rector in connection with his very judicious course during the preceding weeks of numerous meetings and of intense enquiry, have had their reward.

Friday evening of the same week, May 3d, was the day appointed for the Visitation of Trinity church, Atchison. After an address by the new Rector, delivered at my request, I confirmed six (6) candidates, and gave a charge. The former Rector, the Rev. John Bakewell, having, for reasons connected with his health, resigned in the course of the summer, the Rectorship was filled on the 1st day of January, 1872, by the Rev. Philip Nelson Meade, who was received into this Diocese by Letter Dimissory from Bishop Robertson of Missouri, on the 8th of March last. Mr. Meade is the grandson of the late honored and venerated Bishop Meade of Virginia, and his ministry is very acceptable to his new parishioners. May the mantle of his lamented ancestor, his zeal for Christ and his love for souls, ever rest upon this new brother in the clerical brotherhood of our Diocese.

From Atchison I came to Leavenworth, making the Visitation on Sunday, May 5th, the 5th Sunday after Easter. In the morning, at the parish church of St. Paul, the Rev. J. M. Kendrick the Rector assisting in

the Service, I preached, confirmed two (2) persons, gave a charge, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, the Rev. Messrs. Kendrick and Kellogg being present and assisting, I made an address in the Free Chapel of St John, in South Leavenworth. In the evening, at the Fort, Mr. Kendrick reading the Evening Prayer, I made an address, confirmed two (2) candidates, and gave a charge.

The work in this parish is very onerous, two Services on Sunday in both the parish church and the chapel, besides a regular evening Service at the Fort.

The church is being enlarged by the addition of two more bays in the length of it, and the end wall, so long delayed, is now with its suitable windows erected. The building will accommodate about one-half more than before, and the proportions of the whole edifice are now what were originally intended by the architect, Mr. Upjohn. When completed, as it is hoped that it will be in the course of the summer, the interior will be very beautiful, and it will be the largest church in the Diocese.

Our late severe winter set in before the new parts of the house could be properly secured against the cold: and the impossibility of providing for the comfort of the worshippers during the past six months has made the attendance very irregular, and quite disarranged the effective working of the parish. This fact explains, to a great extent, the smallness of the number presented for confirmation. A special Visitation is expected soon, and when the church enlargement shall be finished, a very different condition of things may be confidently anticipated.

The Rev. Professor Kellogg has assisted the Rector during the few months past, and the arrangement is to be continued, Mr. Kellogg taking the chapel in the morning while Mr. Kendrick is at the church, and the Sunday evening Service at the parish church while Mr. Kendrick supplies at the Fort; Mr. Kellogg takes, also, the Sunday school at the chapel, and Mr. Kendrick that at the parish church.

The last Service in the Conventional year was, on Tuesday evening of this week, the third Visitation of Trinity church, Lawrence. At this Service, after Evening Prayer, the Rev. P. N. Meade, of Atchison, preached,

and I confirmed four (4) persons, and gave a charge. The whole number confirmed in this parish this spring is forty-four (44) persons. Well may the Rector and his people apply to themselves the words of the Psalmist: "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

As several of the clergy on our list have not been directly referred to in connection with parochial organizations, it may be well to briefly allude to them in their relations to ministerial work.

The Rev. Charles E. D. Griffith, for several years a laborious missionary in our field, has accepted an invitation to a parish in Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he labored, and which parish he originated, while he was a student at the Divinity School in Philadelphia. He left the mission at Eureka, Greenwood county, and its neighborhood, in January of this year, and on the 16th day of February last I gave him a Letter Dimissory, accepted on the 19th, to the Jurisdiction of the new Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. May the Lord bless and prosper him there!

The Rev. Kinney Hall, Deacon, for about a year and a half, in this Diocese, officiating a part of that time as missionary at Salina and Ellsworth, and afterwards, as assistant for a few months to the Rev. Mr. Kendrick at Leavenworth, went, with my consent, in December last, to pursue his studies for the Priesthood, to the Divinity School in Philadelphia, and at the same time to assist one of the clergy in that city. He is still absent.

The Rev. George D. Henderson continues in his position as Chaplain in the United States Navy, and when last heard from, was on duty in the Wabash, the flag-ship of the European Squadron. Such a position, it seems to me, furnishes great opportunities for useful-

ness, which, I have reason to believe, are well improved by our brother.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox still resides in the neighborhood of Burlington, in Coffey county, and does some clerical work in the neighborhood of his home. I am hoping, that before long we may so arrange matters as to furnish him missionary duties in some of our southern counties.

The Rev. D. Otis Kellogg, jr., Professor of History and of the English Language and of English Literature in the State University, and resident in Lawrence, was received into this Diocese by Letter Dimissory from Rhode Island on the 18th of October, 1870. By a strange oversight I neglected, as I find, to mention this valuable accession to our clergy in my last annual address. In addition to his regular duties at the University, and without any interference with them, Professor Kellogg has rendered important aid to the Diocese. During the larger part of the long vacancy in the Rectorship of Grace church, Topeka, he most acceptably supplied that congregation with the Sunday Services, and in June last presented there a class of twelve (12) persons for confirmation. For the last half-year he has assisted the Rector of the Church of St. Paul, in Leavenworth, in the Sunday Services extended as these are at the parish church, at the mission of the Free Chapel of St. John, and at the Fort. In the interims between these longer engagements, he has officiated at other points, so that his ministry has been constantly and most usefully employed, with great advantage to our Diocesan work, and without any expense to our missionary treasury.

The Rev. J. H. Lee, Professor of Latin and Greek and of English Literature in the State Agricultural College, and resident at Manhattan, has, ever since his entrance

into the Diocese in 1866, been actively engaged in clerical work, for two or three years as Rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan, and since then in missionary duty chiefly at Wamego and at Salina, and occasionally at other points. He, too, has for some years performed important labors for the Diocese, without any remuneration from our missionary treasury.

It is but just to acknowledge the valuable services of these brethren in our Diocese, not only their ability in their work and their readiness at all times to work, but also the great advantage to the Diocese, with so few laborers and so large and frequent openings for usefulness, of having with us brethren, in a certain sense supernumerary as not confined to parishes, and whose labors may be distributed effectively wherever any special emergency or necessity may seem to require.

The Rev. Henry S. Atwater, now resident at Cedar Vale, in Cowley county, somewhat advanced in years and coming to spend his declining days with his children settled there, for long years a Presbyterian of Connecticut and highly beloved and respected there, was received into this Diocese on April 15th of this year, by Letter of Dimissory from Bishop Williams. Our venerable brother is officiating, as he has opportunity, in and around the new settlement of Cedar Vale, and making the offering of his earnest clerical labors as a free gift to the cause of Christ and His church.

The Rev. Joseph W. Norwood, whose ordination as Deacon was reported last year, is pursuing his studies for the degree of Presbyterian, under the general oversight of the Rev. Messrs. Dunn and Kellogg, and is resident at Lawrence. In the course of the last year, he has held Services occasionally at Ottawa, has supplied a monthly missionary Service at Oskaloosa, and has frequently

assisted the Rev. Mr. Dunn at Lawrence, and occasionally other clergymen. The parish of St. Mark's, at Oskaloosa, has so much improved under his ministry, that a more permanent arrangement may ere long be made for their benefit.

Of the parishes organized and in union with this Convention, several are still unsupplied with clergy, St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott; St. Andrew's church, Emporia; Trinity church, Troy; St. John's church, Girard; St. Peter's church, Osage Mission. Several others of this class of churches have only occasional clerical services, and are trying to get on, as best they may, with these, as St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa; Christ church, Salina; St. Luke's church, Wamego. Of the churches organized and not yet in union with the Convention, some of these of considerable strength, such as Christ church, Eureka, where there is a church building, Emmanuel church, Humboldt, and St. John's church, Wichita, several are having practically no Services at all, or with very long intermission of Services, or with Lay Services more or less regularly. And, at many other points, where parishes are not yet organized, and where there are several of our people, and where there is a general desire for the establishment of our church, we need greatly the influence of faithful missionaries. At this very moment, if we could have them and support them, ten additional clergymen could find constant and effective employment. We need continually to pray the Lord of the Harvest, that he will send forth laborers into His harvest.

There are now four candidates for Orders in this Diocese, besides two Deacons, candidates for Priests' Orders.

There are two subjects which I wish especially to commend to your attention.

The first is, that the Diocese ought to begin to do something towards the support of the Episcopate. You have never been asked to attend to this duty. Your present Bishop has never been a burden to you. Yet it is a duty which you owe to yourselves, to the church, and to those who shall be providentially called to Episcopal relations here. The Diocese has not been able heretofore to make any provision in this direction. But it is now stronger. It counts some twenty-five clergymen and about a thousand communicants. It is now able to do something. And, in reference to its future wants, it is very important that a beginning should be made. I suggest the subject as one worthy of your consideration.

The other topic which I present is the importance, the absolute importance, of a more particular and systematic regard to missionary collections. For the great societies, whose gifts so materially aid this Diocese, every congregation ought to take up at least one annual collection—every parish, however poor, every mission station. So let the little rills flow into the great tide, and by such gifts let us acknowledge our own indebtedness to our benefactors. And especially, in connection with these, we should remember our own Diocesan treasury. Many of our parishes or mission stations have neglected to make one collection. This I strive to regulate by requiring the collection at every parish and station at my Visitations to be for Diocesan missions. But the Canon of this Diocese requires four collections for this purpose in each year, one in each quarter. The collections of the Diocese ought to be doubled if not fourfolded. Please consider this.

Since the last Convention I have received notice of the deposition of eleven clergymen: Of the Rev. Charles Edward Cheney, Presbyter, under the Canons of Illinois, June 2, 1871; the Rev. Peter Quick Wilson, Deacon, of Pennsylvania, July 6, 1871; the Rev. William Phillips, Presbyter, of Missouri, September 16, 1871; the Rev. George E. Thrall and the Rev. Mason Gallagher, Presbyters, of New York, September 26, 1871; the Rev. A. J. Yeater, Deacon, of Missouri, November 13, 1871; the Rev. Ezekiel H. Sayles, Presbyter, and the Rev. Henry Newman Wright, Deacon, of Vermont, December 1, 1871; the Rev. John Bedford Linskea, Presbyter, of Pittsburgh, January 29, 1872; the Rev. William E. Walker, Deacon, of Wisconsin, March 9, 1872; the Rev. Alfred Allen Curtis, Presbyter, of Maryland, April 24, 1872.

Since our last Convention two Bishops have been added to our National Episcopate—the Rt. Rev. William Bell White Howe, D.D., Assistant Bishop of South Carolina, consecrated at St. Paul's church, Baltimore, during the last General Convention, on October 8th, 1871; and the Rt. Rev. Mark Anthony DeWolf Howe, D.D., as first Bishop of the new Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, consecrated at his parish church of St. Luke's, Philadelphia, December 28, 1871.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas Frederick Davis, consecrated Bishop of South Carolina October 18, 1863, departed this life on the 2d day of December, 1871, shortly after his return to his home from the General Convention; and the friend, upon whom he relied so affectionately, and who was so recently ordained as his Assistant, becomes at once his successor as the Diocesan. Bishop Davis was a man of exceedingly lovely spirit, winning all by his gentleness and patience. Cut off from many external enjoyments by the loss of his eyesight some years ago,

he cheerfully accepted the dispensation, and his inward man was renewed day by day. At the same time his intellectual gifts were of an unusual ability. Perhaps it is detracting from no other's merits to say, that the speech most close in its logic, most brilliant in its utterance, and most masterly in its effect, in the late Sessions of the House of Bishops, was made by Bishop Davis. The loss to the church is great. May God make it up to us out of his infinite fullness!

There is one other topic, my brethren, to which we must call your attention. It is the great topic connected with our personal duties as members of the church of Christ—the topic which should be named last, as it should be named first—the supreme topic of our practical Christian life—*our missionary work*. We must be more alive to it. We must have a reference to it in everything that we do.

It may be profitable to show *how others estimate the importance* of this great *central State of ours*. The Presbyterians of the United States are *to-day* supporting—aiding by small or by large appropriations—between *seventy and eighty missionaries* in this new State of Kansas, more by many than in any other far-Western State or Territory. They are for this purpose spending some \$18,000 per annum. The Orthodox Congregationalists of the United States are *to-day* supporting between *sixty and seventy missionaries* in this one State of Kansas, *at an expense of \$22,000 per annum*; their missions averaging a larger cost than in the other case, inasmuch as, with a stronger spirit of propagandism, they establish a larger proportion of missions in important places, where they have very few members or perhaps none at all to begin with. But all this shows their estimate of the importance of establishing their

church in a State which, to all discerning eyes, looms up so grandly in the future. The Methodists have some *two hundred ministers*, of all sorts, local and itinerant, in the State; and other Protestant bodies exert themselves proportionally. And the Roman Catholics have built their houses of worship and settled their priests in all of the important and in many of the unimportant towns of the State; and with these they have established their colleges, and theological schools, and hospitals, and orphan asylums, and schools for boys, and schools for girls, in the different portions of the State. *These facts* show how *others look upon this field*. Compare *our efforts with any of these*. We need the men and the money. Does our church need zeal, and self-denial, and true charity? God help us! Our hope is only in Him—Him to raise up the men—Him to provide the means—Him, above all, in the hearts of our people.

APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Rev. P. NELSON MEADE, Rector.

Families, 54; individuals, 8.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 42; added, 11; present number, 53.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 72.

Communion alms.....	\$ 42.88
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Sunday School music books.....	\$17.13
“ “ papers.....	11.90
“ “ library books.....	28.70
Prayer book for Holy Table, from infant class.....	6.00
	<u>\$ 63.73</u>
Objects without the parish:	
Indian Missions, from Sunday School (Easter offering)	\$13.90
Diocesan assessment.....	36.65
Expenses of clergy to General Convention.....	7.00
	<u>\$ 57.55</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$164.16</u>

The Rev. P. N. Meade assumed the charge of the parish January 1, 1872, and since then has baptized two infants and one adult, has married a couple and officiated at one funeral. The Bishop in his late visitation confirmed six persons. The Rev. John Bakewell resigned the rectorship on the 16th of July, 1871, and until January 1st, 1872, the parish was without regular pastoral supervision.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott. Vacant. Reported by the Warden.

Families, 41; individuals, 22.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9.

Marriages, 8. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 39; added, 9; present number, 48.

Sunday School: Teachers, 11; scholars, 40; total, 51.

Communion alms.....	\$ 28.50
Contributions—objects within the parish :	
For indebtedness on church.....	\$102.50
For conventional assessment.....	25.00
For sundry expenses.....	136.35
Sunday School collections for the year.....	53.44
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	\$319.29
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$347.79

The church building needs some repairs which the vestry propose at once to do. It is now out of debt and without a rector.

GEO. P. STRONG, *Senior Warden.*

CHEROKEE COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs, Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.

Confirmed, 2. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 9; removed, 2; present number, 7.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 64; total, 70.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
Ladies' Society.....	\$400.00
Paid on subscription towards church building.....	350.00
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	\$750.00
Total of contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$750.00

The parish has been established a little over one year. The church building is in process of erection.

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington, Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 30; individuals, 15.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; total, 3.

Confirmed, 1. Burials, 5.

Communicants: Last reported, 40; added, 4; died or removed, 10; present number, 34.

Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 18; total, 23.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
Bishop's chair.....	\$23.00
Contingent expenses.....	25.00
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	\$48.00
Objects without the parish :	
Convention fund.....	\$ 5.00
Diocesan missions.....	8.50
Delegates General Convention.....	20.00
Evangelical Education Society.....	3.30
Infirm clergy.....	1.35
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Carried forward.....	\$38.15

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Contributions—Objects within the parish		\$48.00
Brought forward.....	\$38.15	
Church Missionary Society.....	5.00	
Michigan sufferers by fire.....	3.00	
		<u>\$46.15</u>
Total of contributions.....		\$94.15

DAVIS COUNTY.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. M. MAURY, Rector.

Families, 33; individuals, 10.	
Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 6.	
Confirmed, 6.	
Communicants: Last reported, 30; added, 10; died or removed, 3; present number, 37.	
Sunday School: Teachers, 9; scholars, 40; total, 49.	
Communion alms	\$10.50
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For Sunday School purposes.....	\$ 8.43
Contributed by Sunday School children toward purchasing furnace for the church.....	6.59
	<u>\$15.02</u>
Objects without the parish:	
To Diocesan Missions.....	\$21.70
To American Church Missionary Society.....	6.50
Contribution of Sunday School children to Diocesan Missions.....	6.60
Diocesan assessment	25.00
	<u>\$59.80</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$35.32

This report is only for the time which has elapsed since the 8th of last December, when I took charge of this parish.

The Ladies of the congregation have organized a sewing society and are working with commendable zeal to raise the means of purchasing a furnace for the church before next winter. Up to this date they have made by their needles alone about \$40, which is not included in the above statement of contributions.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence, Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, Rector.

Families, 81; individuals, 30.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 14; total, 23.

Confirmed, 44. Marriages, 3. Burials, 16.

Communicants: Last reported, 107; added, 75; died or removed, 32; present number, 150.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, 12; scholars, 121; total, 133.

Communion alms.....		\$76.57
Contributions—Objects within the parish:		
By the ladies: Bazaar (May, '71).....	\$717.00	
Dinner at county fair (Sep., '71)	230.00	
Socials.....	169.18	
Sewing society.....	187.45	
Donations.....	15.00	
Balance of 10 cent fund.....	22.00	
Interest.....	27.96	
Present to Rector to make up		
salary.....	200.00	1568.59
By the Sunday School (to the beginning of Lent).....		45.52
		<u>\$1614.11</u>
Objects without the parish:		
Missions: Diocesan.....	\$130.00	
Domestic.....	50.00	
Foreign.....	37.00	217.00
Evangelical Educational Society.....		18.21
Evangelical Knowledge Society.....		10.00
Christmas fund (for aged and infirm clergy).....		11.20
Expenses of Clerical Delegates to General Convention		3.00
Diocesan assessment.....		45.50
		<u>\$ 304.91</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		<u>\$1995.59</u>

It is proper to add that the amount above credited to the Sunday School is only a portion of the Sunday School collections for the year, the remainder being reserved for presentation as a special offering at the children's service, to be held on Whitsunday; and also that of the amounts contributed to Domestic and Foreign Missions, fifty dollars were given by one parishioner.

We feel that we have great reason for encouragement and thankfulness this year. Arrangements have been made which seem to ensure the early completion of our new church building. The work is progressing with but little delay, and we now confidently expect to be in our new church early in the fall. We feel, also, that we have a still greater motive to gratitude in the remarkable religious interest which has prevailed in our city this Spring, and which, by God's blessing, has so greatly increased the number of the faithful. Some sixty communicants have been added to our list within the past three months, one-half of whom are men. To God's holy name be all praise!

I have held a number of Sunday afternoon services at the Learnard school house, South Lawrence, and hope during the coming year to establish regular services in North Lawrence.

ELLSWORTH COUNTY.

Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, Rev. WM. VAUX, Minister in charge.

Families, 7; individuals, 8.
 Baptisms: Infants, 3; total, 3.
 Confirmed, 4. Burials, 1.
 Communicants, 16.
 Sunday School: Teachers, 3; scholars, 20: total, 23.

Communion alms (Easter Day).....	\$5.30
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I have officiated and preached twenty-eight times during the year in Ellsworth, and administered the Lord's Supper three times to fourteen and sixteen recipients, some of whom were from Fort Harker. There has been but little change in the past year, and there is a want of active interest in forming a parish, which may be owing to the casual nature of the gratuitous services. The appointment of an itinerant missionary, for this part of the diocese, would meet many wants, but the expense of traveling on the railroad is a serious pecuniary consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM VAUX,
Chaplain U. S. A.

GREENWOOD COUNTY.

St. Thomas's Church, Eureka. Vacant. Reported by Senior Warden.

Families, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, —; added, 3; present number, 16.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6; Scholars, 26; total 32.

Communion alms.....	\$
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Contributed by the Bishop.....	\$700.00
Raised by subscription.....	260.00
Raised by two festivals.....	130.00
The whole applied to purchase of house of worship. ———	\$1,090.00
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$1,090.00

The communion alms were always taken in charge by the Rector, Mr. Griffith, so am not able to state the amount. All other alms were applied to the payment of current expenses.

We have had no rector since last Christmas, when Mr. Griffith went to Allentown, Pa., where he now is. This is an excellent field for missionary work.

Very respectfully,

J. G. WEBSTER, Senior Warden.

JACKSON COUNTY.

New Malden and Holton Parish, Rev. GEORGE TURNER, Rector.

Families, 9; individuals, 15.

Communicants: Last reported, 10; added, 5; died or removed, 2; present number, 13.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Christ Church, Netawaka, Rev. GEORGE TURNER, Rector and Missionary.

Families, 9; individuals, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Added, 4; died or removed, 3; present number, 14.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :

Home Missions	\$ 5.00	
Other purposes	145.00	
		<u>\$150.00</u>
Total of contributions.....		\$150.00

At Netawaka we have an organized parish. We meet for divine worship in a hall which is neatly furnished. A good cabinet organ has been purchased to aid in the use of our inspiring and elevating Liturgy. Blue Rapids is flourishing as a town rapidly. We have a parish organized. During the year there has been two lay readers appointed, and one has become a candidate for holy orders. At New Malden, which is a flourishing farming community, I have at all times a large and uniform congregation, and I trust good has been done by introducing the church. At Holton, Jackson county seat, I continue my monthly appointments, and also at Grand Prairie.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa, Rev. JOSEPH W. NORWOOD, Missionary.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5.

Communicants: Removed, 3.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :

For choir.....	\$ 1.75	
For traveling expenses to missionary.....	59.85	
		<u>\$61.60</u>

Objects without the parish :

For Foreign Missions.....	\$ 2.00	
For Diocesan assessment.....	5.00	
		<u>\$ 7.00</u>

Total of alms and contributions		<u>\$68.60</u>
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An active spirit has begun to show itself among the members of this church. They have lately organized an efficient choir, and are about to take active measures for the completion of the tower. There are two candidates for adult baptism and six for confirmation.

RT. REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, D. D.:

DEAR SIR: Since my ordination in April, 1871, the duties which I performed are as follows: Monthly services at St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa; missionary services during the months of July and August last at Ottawa; occasional reading of the service and preaching at Trinity Church, Lawrence; for funerals at Lawrence.

Respectfully yours,

J. W. NORWOOD.

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Chetopa, Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; total, 1.

Communicants: Present number, 14.

This parish has been but recently organized and incorporated. There is, however, a fine prospect of its becoming strong and flourishing.

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LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

The Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth and Fort Leavenworth, and Free Chapel of St. John, Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, Rector.

Families , 121.	
Baptisms : Infants, 23; adults, 2; total, 25.	
Confirmed , 6. Marriages , 5. Burials , 10.	
Communicants : Last reported, 137; added, 29; died or removed, 28; present number, 138.	
Sunday School : Teachers, 20; scholars, 146; total, 166.	
Communion alms	\$ 27.20
Contributions —Objects within the parish:	
For Church Extension.....	\$1734.40
Ladies' Society and Socials.....	559.43
Sunday School offerings.....	129.05
Christmas tree.....	100.00
	<hr/> \$2522.88
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan missions.....	\$ 59.50
Domestic committee: mite boxes.....	37.70
Chicago relief.....	52.00
For expenses of Deputies to General Convention.....	8.00
Convention assessment.....	75.00
	<hr/> \$ 232.20
Total of communion alms and contributions	<hr/> \$2782.28

During the year the extension of the Church of St. Paul has been enclosed. The interior is not yet finished. Since the first of November I have been favored with the assistance of the Rev. D. O. Kellogg, Jr., of the State University. In addition to my services in the parish I have officiated on Sunday evenings at the Post Chapel at Fort Leavenworth. St. John's school is in a prosperous condition.

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia. Vacant. Reported by Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector until Easter, 1872.

Families , 20; individuals, 47.	
Baptisms : Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4.	
Confirmed , 3. Marriages , 2.	
Communicants : Last reported, 25; added, 3; died or removed, 7; present number, 21.	
Sunday School : Teachers, 4; scholars, 15; total, 19.	
Communion alms	\$ 19.20
Contributions —objects within the parish:	
On church building.....	\$100.00
Contingent expenses.....	20.00
	<hr/> \$120.00
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan Missions.....	\$ 9.75
Delegates to General Convention.....	3.75
American Church Missionary Society.....	2.00
Infirm clergy.....	2.00
Evangelical Educational Society.....	1.70
	<hr/> \$ 19.20
Total of communion alms and contributions	<hr/> \$139.20

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids, Rev. GEORGE TURNER, Missionary; Mr. CHARLES HOLMES, Lay-Reader.

Families, 12; individuals, 3.
 Baptisms: Infants, 3; total, 3.
 Confirmed, 2.
 Communicants: Present number, 19.
 Sunday School: Teachers, 2; scholars, 18; total, 20.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For sundry expenses.....	\$ 23.75
Building site for Church, value.....	200.00
	<u>\$223.75</u>
Total of contributions.....	\$223.75

St. Mark's was organized in the Spring of 1871, among the "Batavia Colonists." At that time there were only four communicants, now nineteen. The parish contains some earnest church people.

St. Mark's has been presented with a building site by the Colony Board, worth about \$200. Its great want at present is the means to put up a small chapel.

Services have been held in the southeast part of Marshall County through the past few months by L. P. Holmes, a lay-reader, and have been well attended. The interest shown has been such as to warrant the hope that a rural parish will be organized during the summer and a chapel built. For this latter purpose a site has been offered by Mr. Jones, and the promise made by a lady in New York that the means shall be forthcoming when wanted. The same lady has supplied the mission with books, papers and tracts, for distribution, both for Church and Sunday School purposes.

MIAMI COUNTY.

St. James's Church, Paola, Rev. JAS. A. WOODWARD, Rector.

Families, 30.
 Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 6; total, 18.
 Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3.
 Communicants: Added, 5; died or removed, 4; present number, 14.
 Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 31; total, 36.

Communion alms.....	\$ 8-
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Sociable money and Ladies' Society.....	\$23.88
In Sunday School.....	4.03
For Sunday School.....	3.70
	<u>\$31</u>
Objects without the parish:	
Chicago sufferers, special collection.....	\$5.00
Bible and prayer book society.....	6.00
	<u>\$11</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$5</u>
\$673.06 have been raised to which \$45.21 is added, making a total \$718	

The increase and prosperity of the church is greatly hindered on account of not having a church edifice, which the people do not feel able at present to build.

Have visited and held several services in Olathe, Johnson County, but as there was little encouragement under the circumstances, and Paola insisting on having services every Sunday, did not organize a parish.

Have visited and held several services in Ottawa, where a church has been organized, and up to January 1st over \$700 raised for building a church edifice. The report of the place will be rendered by others. Have visited since the vacancy in the pastorate, the church in Fort Scott, holding two services, baptizing three adults and two infants, and performing what parish work I could to further the interests of the church. Also, have visited Baxter and held two services. Arrangements are made to hold service in La Cygne.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. A. BEATTY, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants, 12.

This church was organized on the 22d day of April, 1872, and there is, therefore, but a very brief report to make. The communion has been administered once. There are twelve communicants, and some who have attended the service are desirous of being confirmed. Two infants have been baptised, and the marriage ceremony has been performed once. It is proposed by the parishoners to erect a church at an early day. I have also held service at Thayer and Coffeyville, and design to visit other towns in the neighborhood where some church families reside.

My report for St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, included the conventional year, up to the 1st of April.

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, Rev. DANIEL W. COX, Rector.

Families, 40; individuals, 14.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 62; added, 9; removed, 3; present number, 68.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 55; total, 62.

Communion alms.....	\$ 25.50
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For organist.....	\$50.00
For Church repairs.....	85.00
For Christmas tree.....	20.00
For Sunday School.....	32.25
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	\$137.25
Objects without the parish:	
For Diocesan Missions.....	\$ 8.00
For Foreign Missions.....	18.00
For American Church Missionary Society.....	10.00
For Convention fund.....	20.00
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	\$56.00
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$218.75

In addition to the duties that have devolved upon me as rector of this parish, I have been regularly engaged in teaching during the whole of the past year. Owing to this fact I have not been able to devote as much time and energy to the interests of the parish as the circumstances, at times, seemed to demand. This does not, however, appear to have materially retarded the general growth of the church. On the contrary, it has, in several instances, been the means of increasing individual activity in attending to secular matters that would otherwise have been left entirely to the rector. Generally speaking, therefore, the interest manifested in the continued prosperity of the church has been fully equal to that of former years, while the average attendance at the public services has steadily increased.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth, Rev. J. N. LEE, Rector.

Families, 15.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, at different places, 7. Burials at different places by me, 3.

Communicants: Previous, 24; added, 6; removed, 2; present number, 28.

A union Sunday School is maintained in the school house where we worship.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Collection for Church	\$ 2.00
Snpper given by ladies, about.....	51.00
(Besides other contributions in money, means and work amounting to not far from \$1000 in all, exact amount not now known.)	
	\$ 53.00

Objects without the parish:

Diocesan Missions.....	\$2.50
China Missions, (foreign com.).....	4.25
Indian Mission in Dacotah	5.00
Foreign Mission com.....	1.40
	\$13.15

Total of contributions.....	\$66.15
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This new parish is entirely rural, no town or village existing within several miles.

A new church edifice—a tasteful gothic building of stone—is already under roof and we hope will be far enough advanced to be occupied the present season. Nearly a thousand dollars has been contributed in lumber and money, from abroad (about \$200 in Kansas), and about the same in the community around the church. In several cases the liberality of our christian people, who are comparatively poor and just establishing themselves on their new farms, has been exercised with great sacrifice and self-denial. There seems, under God's blessing, a growing care and interest about religious things, though much work yet remains to be done. May God give us his Divine Help!

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SEDGWICK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wichita, JOHN RICE HILTON, Lay-Reader.

Families, 28; individuals, 50.

Burials, 11.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Donations for building a church.....	\$ 79.00	
Donations for six lots (value).....	500.00	
		<u>\$579.00</u>

Total of contributions..... \$579.00

This parish has increased so rapidly that it requires the whole attention of an active missionary and this I cannot undertake, as it takes my whole time during the week to provide for my large family, having no other means of support, (and receiving no salary from the parish.) Hitherto I have been at the whole expense of lighting fires, &c., for the services, and have traveled many miles to visit the sick, hold services, and bury the dead, all at my own expense. This I do not feel any longer justified in doing, as I think the people are now quite able and willing to support an ordained minister, and I think it will be better for the cause of Christ, and for the parish generally, that they should do so. The Methodists and Presbyterians both have paid ministers who give up their whole time to their work. Yours very faithfully,

JOHN RICE HILTON, Lay-Reader.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Topeka, Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, Rector.

Families, 60; individuals, 28.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 14; total, 18.

Confirmed, 24. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 70; added, 24; died or removed, 10; present number, 84.

Sunday School: Teachers, 8; scholars, 50; total, 58.

Communion alms..... \$ 33.00

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

For Mission Fund.....	\$ 50.00	
Christmas decorations.....	38.00	
		<u>\$ 88.00</u>

Objects without the parish:

Diocesan Missions.....	54.95	
For Rev. Mr. Auer, Africa, \$20 of which from the		
Sunday School.....	50.00	
Evangelical Educational Society.....	10.00	
Home for friendless women.....	10.00	
Midnight Mission, Philadelphia.....	10.00	
Diocesan assessment.....	60.00	
		<u>\$194.95</u>

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$315.95

My health being much impaired I resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Atchison, last Spring. Feeling able to resume work in the Fall I accepted a call to the rectorship of this parish and have since endeavored to fulfill its duties.

WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, Rev. J. GODFREY JONES, Rector.

Families, 26; individuals, 9.	
Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 3; total, 10.	
Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 0. Burials, 1.	
Communicants: Last reported, 31; added, 10; died or removed, 2; present number, 39.	
Sunday School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 60; total, 66. Average attendance about 35.	
Communion alms (less \$6.67 included below).....	\$ 2.89
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Repairs on parsonage.....	\$34.00
“ “ church.....	50.00
	<hr/> \$84.00
Objects without the parish:	
Diocesan Missions.....	\$ 4.11
Domestic Missions.....	2.56
	<hr/> \$ 6.67
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/> \$98.47

There are \$2.20 on hand for Foreign Missions, \$1.50 for the Evangelical Educational Society, \$2.80 for the poor. Besides this \$45.43 have been raised for incidental expenses by the usual Sunday collections, \$15 for Christmas tree, \$8.00 for evergreens to trim church; in the usual Sunday School collections for Sunday School purposes, \$10; and by the Juvenile Mite Society, \$5.83.

Besides this the church has paid \$100 of a debt, and owes nothing but an old note of \$30 which will soon be paid. Our church needs about \$150 to \$200 more in repairs. Average attendance at communion about twenty. Average attendance at services about fifty.

Rev. GEO. D. HENDERSON, Chaplain U. S. Navy.

I have, since my last report, been in the discharge of my duties as Chaplain until the 5th of October last, at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, since that time on board the "Wabash," flag-ship of the European squadron.

Very respectfully,

GEO. D. HENDERSON,
Chaplain U. S. N.

Rev. D. O. KELLOGG, JR., Professor in the State University, Lawrence.

RT. REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, D.D.:

Since the last convention I have been regularly engaged with my duties at the State University. On Sundays I have been quite constantly occupied in clerical work, supplying Grace Church, Topeka, with services until the 1st of November, 1871, and subsequently officiating as a kind of curate under Rev. Mr. Kendrick, of Leavenworth, preaching at his direction in the chapel, or at the parish church, or at the Fort.

Respectfully yours,

D. O. KELLOGG, JR.

Rev. J. H. LEE, Professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan.

During the ecclesiastical year last past, I have held service forty-two times, and preached forty-six times, as follows: At Wamego, 21; Wyandotte, 8; Salina, 10; at other places 7. I have administered the Holy Communion five times, infant baptism four times. Solemnized one marriage, and officiated at one burial. I have also delivered several lectures.

During the same time I have daily performed the duties of Professor of Ancient Classics in the State Agricultural College. J. H. LEE.

Rev. J. N. LEE, Principal of Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka, and Missionary in Shawnee county.

TO THE RT. REV. THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS:

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR: To you, and through you to the Diocesan Convention, I have the honor to make the following report of the condition and work of the Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka for the academic year 1871-2:

Whole number of pupils for year:

Boarders in the house.....	26
Boarding in the city from abroad.....	10
Total from abroad.....	—36
Day scholars.....	97
Total in Institute.....	—133
Largest number in house at one time.....	24

The largest attendance was in the first session.

Seniors.....	2
Middle year.....	8
Juniors.....	20
Preparatory.....	50
Primary.....	24
Total.....	—104

The attendance during the current session—usually the smallest term of the year—has, this year, been more than usually depressed by the financial reverses, beginning with the great fire, producing a stringency in money matters greater than has been felt for years. Yet, in only a single instance previous, has the last session of the year been more largely attended.

The number of pupils now in attendance is eighty.

The year has been characterized by a great degree of docility, kindness and gentleness among our pupils, and by a large amount of successful study.

The principal studies of the full course have been pursued during the year, chiefly, (beside the various elementary English branches): Algebra, 2 classes; Geometry and French, 2 classes; German and Latin, 3 classes; Botany, Chemistry, Natural Philosophy, Physical Geography, Geology, Astronomy, Rhetoric, Mental and Moral Science, Evidences of Christianity, and Kames' Elements of Criticism; together with lectures on Physiology and the Laws of Health, and weekly exercises in English composition.

In addition to these secular studies, all the pupils have been required to attend weekly to a course of lessons in Holy Scripture; and the boarding scholars, in addition, have been regularly instructed in the Church Catechism.

The attendance during the year, classified as nearly as possible in reference to the religious standing of pupils, or their parents, is as follows:

Church Patronage.

Communicants among pupils previously so.....	7
Confirmed thus far during the year.....	3
Total.....	—10
Other church patronage.....	21
Total.....	— 31

Methodist.....	15
Baptist.....	4
Presbyterian.....	5
Congregational.....	3
Lutheran.....	1
Roman Catholic.....	1
Unitarian.....	6
No church.....	33
Unknown.....	31
Total non-Episcopal.....	— 99

There is reason to hope that there may yet be additional baptisms and confirmations in the institution before the end of the year.

Of the three most promising girls already confirmed this year, one is from a church family, another from a Congregational family, and another from an influential and wealthy household wherein there was previously not one, either parent or child, baptized.

In addition to the above religious instruction, a considerable portion of the Morning Prayer is used daily, embracing (with some variations from time to time) the opening sentences, General Confession, Lord's Prayer, Psalter for the day, Gloria in Excelsis, Creed, Litany, Epistle and Gospel for the day, and the Commandments. Thus a large number of these young minds are becoming familiar and imbued with those scriptural forms of sound words, which will, no doubt, if not now, hereafter in many cases, spring up and bear fruit to the glory of God and the advancement of his Kingdom in years to come.

The institution may be regarded now as fairly self-sustaining, a circumstance very gratifying when its growth is considered; each year requiring new outlays to meet increasing demands as we advance.

The present year, owing to the unexpected reverses in the affairs of the country above alluded to, will probably at its close show a deficit in current receipts. In no previous year have the dues of the institution been so difficult of collection. It is hoped, however, that with returning prosperity this difficulty will speedily be overcome.

Our chief obstacle for some time has been want of room, cramping our operations and entailing heavy expense for rent of extra buildings.

Fortunately this trial is, in God's good Providence, likely soon to be obviated by the occupancy of our new and noble edifice now so far advanced towards completion.

Of course the entrance into this new building will be but a step to a new advance, and by God's blessing a fresh development of power and usefulness, demanding new and large means and appliances for carrying on the work, and a larger measure of interest, zeal and co-operation on the part of all the friends of the institution, and specially its friends in the church. Has it not now fairly earned such a recognition and this zealous support?

Must we not—teachers, clergy, people—bend every energy to make sure that the good beginning already made may be pushed forward to a glorious maturity of usefulness and power, and our Diocesan Seminary for girls maintain its place among the first Institutions of the State and our new West?

J. N. LEE,
Principal and Rector.

Rev. R. S. NASH, *Presbyter.*

SPRINGFIELD, MO., May 11, 1872.

RT. REV. THOS. H. VAIL, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas:

The undersigned reports that he is, for the present, residing in the diocese of Missouri, but that he proposes to return, as soon as the arrangements can be made, to the diocese of Kansas; and that he has held services as opportunity has offered.

R. S. NASH.

Rev. C. REYNOLDS, D.D., Chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Riley.

TO THE RT. REV. THOS. H. VAIL, D.D.:

DEAR SIR: I respectfully report that since my resignation of the charge of the Church of the Covenant, Junction City, I have performed no other clerical duties than those which are expected of me as Post Chaplain at Fort Riley, with the exception of attending three funerals in the city of Junction, before the present Rector of the Church of the Covenant entered upon his duties.

The Fort Riley statistics are as follows:

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Marriages, 1.

Burials, 3.

Confirmed, 2.

My Sunday services, in the garrison Chapel, have been well attended during the past year, and a positive interest in them has been evinced, both by officers and men. Of my other routine duties I need not speak.

CHAS. REYNOLDS,
Post Chaplain, U. S. A.

Rev. WILLIAM VAUX, Chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Harker.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Communicants, 7.

My services at Fort Harker have been uninterrupted during the past year, and I have been much gratified at the general attendance of officers and their families, as well as of soldiers, the number of whom, and their respectful behavior, favorably compares with my past experience of more than twenty years.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM VAUX,
Chaplain U. S. Army.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PLACE.	COUNTY.	Names of Churches.	FAMILIES.		INDIVIDUALS.		BAPTISMS.		COMMUNICANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOL.		CONTRIBUTIONS.				
			Adults.	Infants.	Adults.	Infants.	Confirmed.	Marriages.	Burials.	Last Reported.	Added.	Removed.	Present number.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Communion.	Objects within the parish.	Objects without the parish.	Total.
Atchison.	Atchison	Trinity	54	8	62	62	1	54	11	12	53	7	72	79	\$ 42.88	\$ 63.73	\$ 57.55	\$ 164.16	
Baxter Springs.	Cherokee	St. Mark's.	12	3	15	15	3	9	19	2	19	2	6	64	70	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Blue Rapids.	Marshall	St. Mark's.	30	65	95	95	5	40	14	10	34	5	18	23	223.75	223.75	223.75	223.75	
Burlington	Coffey	Ascension	7	8	15	15	1	14	4	1	16	1	1	1	46.15	46.15	46.15	46.15	
Chetopa	Labette	St. Paul's.	20	47	67	67	4	12	4	7	21	4	15	19	5.80	120.00	19.20	185.40	
Ellsworth.	Lyon	Holy Apostles	20	47	67	67	3	24	3	11	15	6	26	32	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Emporia.	Ellsworth	St. Andrew's.	20	47	67	67	3	12	9	5	9	9	48	51	319.28	319.28	319.28	347.79	
Eureka	Greenwood	St. Thomas	20	47	67	67	8	39	9	11	11	13	15	25	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Fort Harker.	Ellsworth	Post Chapel	20	47	67	67	1	25	12	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Fort Riley.	Riley	Post Chapel	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Fort Scott.	Bourbon	St. Andrew's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Girard.	Crawford	St. John's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Holton and New Malden	Atchison	Mission	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Humboldt.	Allen	Emmanuel	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Independence	Montgomery	Epiphany	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Junction City.	Davis	Covenant	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Lawrence	Douglas	Trinity	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Leavenworth.	Leavenworth	St. Paul's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Manhattan	Riley	St. Paul's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Monmouth	Shawnee	Emmanuel	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Netawaka	Jackson	Christ Mission	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Osawatomie	Jefferson	St. Mark's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Paola.	Miami	Christ	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Salina.	Shawnee	Grace	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Topeka	Pottawatomie	St. Luke's	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Wamego.	Wichita	St. John's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Wichita	Wichita	St. John's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Wyanadotte	Wyanadotte	St. Paul's.	20	47	67	67	1	30	10	3	37	9	40	49	10.50	15.02	59.80	85.33	
Additional!			983	199	1,182	1,182	77	802	355	139	1018	108	750	864	\$340.05	\$ 7,951.34	\$ 10,084.54	\$ 8,238.87	

*From last years report.
 †Reported by the Bishop in stations unorganized and making no report.

APPENDIX C.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. JOHN BAKEWELL, Treasurer, in account with the CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS. Cr.

Dr.		1871			1872			Cr.
		May 11	Aug. 1		July 7	Aug. 28		
1871	To balance.....			\$ 459.10	By cash paid F. B. Starr, Treasurer General Convention.....			\$ 66 00
Aug. 1	To cash from Church of the Ascension, Burlington on assessment for 1870-1.....			7.50	By cash paid Bishop Vail on account of printing Journal for 1871.....			180.00
1872.	ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR 1871-2.							
May 8	To cash from Grace Church, Topeka.....			60.00	Aug. 28 By cash paid Bishop Vail for forms for Diocesan use.....			32.50
	" from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....			45.50	By cash paid for blanks for Parochial Reports.....			6 00
	" from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....			75.00				
	" from Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....			25.00	1872.			
	" from Ascension Church, Burlington.....			20.00	April 16 By cash expenses incurred in San Francisco.....			8 30
	" from St. Paul's, Wyandotte.....			15.00	P. O. Order.....			.10
	" from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....			25.00	May 11 By cash paid Bishop Vail for new Seminary, being amount from sale of Prairie City property.....			579.00
	" from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....			20.00	By balance.....			531.70
	" from St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....			5.00				
	" from Christ's Church, Salina.....			10.00				
	" from St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....			5.00				
	" from Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....			5.00				
	" from Trinity Church, Atchison.....			40.00				
	" from Ascension Church, Burlington, being the balance due for year 1870-71.....			7 00				
	To proceeds from sale of Prairie City property, authorized at last Convention.....			579.00				
				\$1,403.60				\$1,403.60
	ASSESSMENTS REMAINING UNPAID FOR YEAR 1871-72.							
	St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....			\$ 15 00				
	Trinity Church, Lawrence (balance)*.....			4.50				
	Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....			5.00				
	St. John's Church, Girard.....			5.00				
	St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....			5.00				
	St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....			5.00				
	Whole amount due.....			\$ 30 50				

*Since paid.

JOHN BAKEWELL,
Treasurer.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

_____ Church, _____ (Town or City).
The Rev. _____, Rector or Minister,
Families, —; individuals, —.
Baptisms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —.
Confirmed, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.
Communicants: Last reported, —; added, —; died or removed, —; present number, —.
Sunday school: Teachers, —; scholars, —.
Communion alms, \$—.
Contributions: For objects within the parish (not including salary and current expenses), \$—; for objects without the parish, \$—; total of communion alms and contributions, \$—.
(Remarks embodying anything of interest in the parish.)
N. B.—Under the head of "Contributions," the several objects should be specified.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families, and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of the parish of _____ Church (name of the city or town), county of _____, State of Kansas, and by so doing do adopt the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese of Kansas.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the Annual Meeting of the Parish (or, in case the Parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the Vestry) of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. B., who is a member of the said Parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord _____.

(Signed)

_____,
Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of _____.

Or,

_____, } Wardens.
_____, }

Or,

_____,
Minister of _____ Church.

NOTE.—The names of all the Delegates may be included in one Certificate.

CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENTS.

To be paid at or before the Convention of 1873.

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$40.00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	75.00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	15.00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	55.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	10.00
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	15.00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	25.00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5.00
Christ Church, Salina.....	5.00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	5.00
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	5.00
Total.....	\$385.00

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1871-72.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	\$15.00
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	5.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00

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BISHOP—RT. REV. THOMAS HUBBARD VAIL, D.D., Lawrence.

Secretary—Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, Lawrence.

Treasurer—Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, Atchison.

Registrar—Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, Leavenworth.

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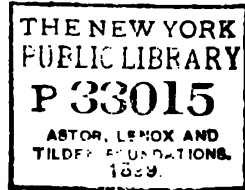
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LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES.

Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Baxter Springs.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Blue Rapids.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Chetopa.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Epiphany.....	<i>Independence.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Church of St. John.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Troy.</i>
St. Luke's Church.....	<i>Wamego.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandotte.</i>

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT YET IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	<i>Ellenworth.</i>
St. Thomas' Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Garnett.</i>
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	<i>Ottawa.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Leavenworth.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Riley.</i>

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the diocese of Kansas will be holden in
Grace Church, Topeka, on the second Wednesday in September, A. D. 1874.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE
DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

- The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., Bishop of the diocese, residing at Topeka.
- The Rev. Henry S. Atwater, missionary at Cedarvale, Howard county.
- The Rev. John Bakewell, rector of Grace Church, Topeka.
- The Rev. Archibald Beatty, missionary at Independence and points adjacent. (P. O. Independence).
- The Rev. C. E. Butler, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.
- The Rev. Daniel W. Cox, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.
- The Rev. John K. Dunn, rector of Trinity Church, Lawrence.
- The Rev. J. Preston Fugett, rector of St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.
- The Rev. George D. Henderson, chaplain U. S. Navy, on duty, Atlantic squadron.
- The Rev. Levi L. Holden, rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington.
- The Rev. Charles Holmes, deacon, missionary at Blue Rapids and points adjacent. (P. O., Blue Rapids, Marshall county).
- The Rev. John Godfrey Jones, Cheyenne, Wyoming.
- The Rev. John Mills Kendrick, rector of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.
- The Rev. D. Otis Kellogg, jr., professor in the State University at Lawrence, and missionary at large. (P. O., Lawrence).
- The Rev. James Hervey Lee, professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, and missionary at large. (P. O., Manhattan).
- The Rev. John Newton Lee, president associate of the College of the Sisters of Bethany at Topeka, and missionary in Shawnee county and at large. (P. O., Topeka).
- The Rev. Magruder Maury, rector of the Church of the Covenant, Junction City.
- The Rev. P. Nelson Meade, rector of Trinity Church, Atchison.
- The Rev. Joseph W. Norwood, deacon, New Ross, Lunenburg county, Nova Scotia.
- The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., post chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Riley.
- The Rev. Thompson L. Smith, missionary at Baxter Springs, Chetopa and Parsons, and in Southeastern Kansas. (P. O., Baxter Springs).
- The Rev. Thomas Arthur Taggart, deacon, missionary. (P. O., Topeka).
- The Rev. A. S. Teutschel, missionary at Wichita and points adjacent. (P. O., Wichita).
- The Rev. George Turner, missionary on the Central Branch U. P. R. R. (P. O., Hiawatha, Brown county).
- The Rev. William Vaux, post chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Leavenworth).

ENTITLED TO A SEAT BUT NOT A VOTE.

- The Rev. William H. Hickcox, Burlington.
- The Rev. Rodney S. Nash, Springfield, Missouri.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

- The Rev. Charles Stewart, Topeka.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- Allen County*—Emmanuel mission, Humboldt.
Anderson County—Grace mission, Garnett.
Atchison County—Trinity church, Atchison, Rev. P. N. Meade, rector; Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
Bourbon County—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, ———, rector.
Brown County—Calvary mission, Hiawatha, ———, missionary.
Cherokee County—St. Mark's mission, Baxter Springs, Rev. T. L. Smith, missionary; mission at Columbus.
Cloud County—Clyde, ———, missionary; Concordia, ———, missionary.
Coffey County—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. L. L. Holden, rector.
Crawford County—St. John's mission, Girard, ———, missionary.
Davis County—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. M. Maury, rector.
Doniphan County—Trinity church, Troy, mission at Wathena, ———, missionary; mission at White Cloud.
Douglas County—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. John K. Dunn, rector.
Ellsworth County—Mission of Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, ———, missionary.
Franklin County—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, Rev. D. O. Kellogg, missionary.
Greenwood County—Christ church, Eureka, ———, missionary.
Howard County—Cedar Vale mission, Rev. H. S. Atwater.
Jackson County—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
Jefferson County—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, Grasshopper Falls and Gloria Dei mission, Perryville, Rev. D. O. Kellogg, jr., missionary.
Johnson County—Olathe, Rev. J. A. Woodward, missionary.
Labette County—Oswego and Chetopa, Rev. T. L. Smith, missionary.
Leavenworth County—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth city, Rev. J. M. Kendrick, rector; church of St. John, South Leavenworth, ———, rector; Fort Leavenworth, Rev. Wm. Vaux, chaplain U. S. A.; mission, Reno, Rev. J. K. Dunn, missionary.
Lyon County—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector.
Miami County—St. James' mission, Paola, ———, missionary.
Marshall County—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary; mission, Barret's school house, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary.
Montgomery County—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. A. Beatty, missionary; missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Parker, Rev. A. Beatty, missionary.
Nemaha County—Wetmore, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
Neosho County—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, ———, missionary.
Pottawatomie County—St. Luke's mission, Wamego, Rev. J. H. Lee, miss'y.
Riley County—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, Rev. J. P. Fugett, rector; Fort Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, chaplain U. S. A.
Saline County—Christ church, Salina, Rev. J. H. Lee, missionary.
Sedgwick County—St. John's church, Wichita, Rev. A. S. Teutschel, miss'y.
Shawnee County—Grace church, Topeka, Rev. J. Bakewell, rector; Emmanuel mission, Monmouth; missions at Auburn and Mission Creek, Rev. J. N. Lee, missionary.
Wyandotte County—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, ———, rector.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS,
WEDNESDAY, May 14, 1873.

This being the time and place for holding the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy of the diocese and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in the church at half-past ten o'clock, a. m., for the celebration of Divine worship.

Morning Prayer was read to the Creed, by the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, the Rev. T. A. Taggart reading the Lessons, and from the Creed by the Rev. C. E. Butler.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop; the Rev. William Vaux reading the Epistle.

The Bishop delivered a charge on the "Essential verities of the Gospel," from 1 Cor., 15:1-4.

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Revs. Wm. Vaux and H. S. Atwater.

The religious services being concluded, the Bishop took the chair, and called the Convention to order. The secretary of the last Convention, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically or actually resident in the diocese, as required by Canon I, when those present answered to their names.

The parishes were then called in order, and the certificates of lay delegates were laid upon the secretary's table, when they were referred to the following Committee on Qualifications, viz: The Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., and Messrs. E. M. Bartholow and L. G. Hopkins.

The Convention took a recess till 3 o'clock, p. m.

WEDNESDAY, May 14, 1873, 3 o'clock, p. m.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications made the following report, which was adopted :

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that they have carefully examined the following clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that each one named therein is canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention, in accordance with section 2, of article III, of the Constitution of this Diocese :

CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS H. VAIL, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese.*

The Rev. H. S. ATWATER, missionary at Cedar Vale.*

The Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, rector of Grace church, Topeka.*

The Rev. A. BEATTY, missionary at Independence and points adjacent.*

The Rev. C. E. BUTLER, rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.*

The Rev. DANIEL W. COX, rector of St. Andrew's church, Emporia.

The Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.*

The Rev. J. P. FUGETT, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.*

The Rev. GEO. D. HENDERSON, chaplain U. S. Navy.

The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, rector of Church of Ascension, Burlington.*

The Rev. CHAS. HOLMES, missionary at Blue Rapids, and points adjacent.*

The Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, rector of Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.*

The Rev. D. O. KELLOGG, jr., professor in the State University at Lawrence, and missionary at large.

The Rev. JAMES H. LEE, professor in Agricultural College at Manhattan, and missionary at large.*

The Rev. JOHN N. LEE, president associate of college of Sisters of Bethany, and missionary.*

The Rev. M. MAURY, rector of the Church of the Covenant, Junction City.*

The Rev. P. N. MEADE, rector of Trinity church, Atchison.*

The Rev. C. REYNOLDS, post chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Riley.*

The Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, missionary at Baxter Springs, &c.*

The Rev. T. A. TAGGART, deacon missionary.*

The Rev. GEO. TURNER, missionary on Central Branch, U. P. R. R.*

The Rev. WM. VAUX, post chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Leavenworth.*

The following clergymen are, under the same article of the Constitution entitled to seats in this body :

The Rev. W. H. HICKCOX.

The Rev. R. S. NASH.

The Rev. JOHN G. JONES.

The Rev. J. W. NORWOOD, deacon.

The Rev. CHARLES STEWART is not entitled to a vote or seat.

Your committee also report that they have examined with care the certificates of lay delegates and find the following parishes represented by the following persons :

LAITY.

Trinity Church, Atchison—A. G. OTIS,* J. H. STRINGFELLOW, M. D.,* A. D. MCCONAUGHY.*

Church of the Covenant, Junction City—W. H. CANFIELD, J. R. MCCLURE, J. E. SOAMES.*

Trinity Church, Lawrence—J. C. HORTON,* E. M. BARTHOLOW,* W. C. RANSOM.*

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth—L. G. HOPKINS,* W. W. WRIGHT,* J. W. ENGLISH.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan—AMBROSE TODD.*

Grace Church, Topeka—J. W. FARNSWORTH,* GEO. GEIGER.*

St. Luke's Church, Wamego—H. G. KNOWLES,* E. D. COOK, C. E. CHANDLER.

St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa—WM. BLEVINS,* W. O. BURR.*

Church of the Ascension, Burlington—O. WALKLING,* ORSON KEITH, CHAS. SANDS.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte—FRED. SPECK, M. D.*

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES REYNOLDS,

E. M. BARTHOLOW,

L. G. HOPKINS,

Committee on Qualifications.

NOTE.—Of the persons named in the report as entitled to seats in the Convention, those who appeared and took seats are marked (*).

The report having been approved by the Convention, the secretary called the roll.

The election of secretary being next in order, the Rev. John K. Dunn was unanimously re-elected, and appointed Mr. L. G. Hopkins as his assistant.

The rules of order having been suspended to admit the motion, it was

Resolved, That visiting clergy from other dioceses, clergy engaged in missionary work in this diocese, although not canonically resident, and candidates for orders, be invited to seats in this Convention.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees, viz:

On Admission of New Parishes—Revs. L. L. Holden, George Turner, and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and J. H. Stringfellow, M. D.

On Constitution and Canons—Revs. C. Reynolds, D.D., T. L. Smith, W. Vaux, and Messrs. J. C. Horton and A. G. Otis.

On Diocesan Institutions—Revs. J. M. Kendrick, A. Beatty, P. N. Meade, and Messrs. G. Geiger and E. M. Bartholow.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. M. Maury, and Messrs. W. Blevins and J. E. Soames.

On Finance—Rev. J. N. Lee, and Messrs. W. C. Ransom and W. W. Wright.

The applications and papers of Emmanuel Church, Monmouth, and of the Church of the Epiphany, Independence, were received and referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Bishop's Annual Address be first in order this evening—and also that addresses pertinent to the subjects suggested therein, be the order of the evening.

The treasurer asked further time to report.

The registrar reported as follows :

The Registrar of the Diocese reports that he has received during the year :

No. 28. Journals of the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Diocese.

No. 29. The Parish Churchman for the year.

Respectfully,

J. M. KENDRICK, *Registrar.*

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, reported that they had examined the application and certificates of the parishes of Emmanuel church, Monmouth, and the Church of the Epiphany, Independence, and found them correct in form, and in compliance with the Constitution of the Diocese, and they therefore recommended the admission of said parishes to representation in this Convention; whereupon, on motion, they were so admitted, and their certificates of lay delegates received.

The Committee on Qualifications reported that they had examined the certificates of lay delegates from said parishes, and that Mr. H. G. Lyons had been duly elected a delegate from Emmanuel church, Monmouth, and that Messrs. M. D. Henry, J. Cullyford, and Chas. Peckham, had been duly elected delegates from the Church of the Epiphany, Independence, and their names being called upon the roll, Messrs. H. G. Lyons and J. Cullyford answered thereto and took their seats.

A question having arisen as to whether the names of all the lay delegates from a parish, both principal and alternate, should be inserted in the certificate of lay delegates, and entered in the secretary's record, on motion, the matter was referred to a special committee, to report to the Convention.

The chair appointed as such committee, Revs. A. Beatty and M. Maury, and Mr. J. Cullyford.

The application of Zion Parish, Center township, Marshall county, for admission to the Convention, was received, but the delegates having charge of the papers being providentially absent, the subject was laid over to the next Convention.

The Standing Committee asked further time to report.

The Committee on Unfinished Business asked further time to report.

The parochial reports were presented to the Bishop. (*Appendix B*).

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows :

The Committee on Unfinished Business report, that upon looking through the Journal of the last year, they find the following business undisposed of by the last Convention :

1. The proposed change in the Constitution in regard to the time for holding the meetings of the Convention—page 13.
2. The proposed amendment to the Constitution in regard to the number of lay delegates to which each parish shall be entitled—page 14.
3. The proposed change of Canon IV, section 1, relating to the composition of vestries—page 14.
4. The report of the committee appointed to prepare some definite plan for the support of the Episcopate—page 21.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. MAURY,
WM. BLEVINS,
J. E. SOAMES,

Committee.

The Special Committee on the Composition of Vestries, appointed at the last Annual Convention, presented a report approving the change in Canon IV, section 1, as recorded on page 14, of the Journal of the last Convention, which report was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported favorably to the adoption of the report of the Committee

On the Composition of Vestries, with a few verbal changes, making Canon IV, section 1, to read as follows:

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each parish an election of a vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall be male communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven vestrymen, who shall be communicants. The wardens and vestrymen shall be of the electors of the parish, and at least one-half of the whole vestry shall be of the male electors.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 8 o'clock this evening.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. The Bishop read his Annual Address. (*Appendix A*).

At the close of the address the following resolution was moved by Rev. A. Beatty, and, being put by Rev. Dr. Reynolds, president of the Standing Committee, was unanimously carried.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to our beloved Bishop for his long continued and efficient labors in building up and establishing on a secure basis, our Diocesan Female Seminary at Topeka, now known as "The College of the Sisters of Bethany."

On motion, so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the death of Bishop McIlvaine, and of Mr. Wolfe, was referred to a committee of three, to prepare a suitable minute expressive of the feelings of the Convention.

The chair appointed as such committee Revs. C. Reynolds, D.D., L. L. Holden, and W. C. Ransom, Esq.

After a spirited discussion of the subjects suggested by the Bishop's address, by a number of the clergy and laity present, the Convention adjourned till to-morrow at 9 o'clock p. m.

THURSDAY, May 15, 1873, 9 O'CLOCK,

The Convention re-assembled. Morning Prayer read by Revs. J. N. Lee and M. Maury.

At the close of the Morning Prayer, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved, and the roll was called.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes reported that they had examined the application and certificate of the Parish of St. John, Leavenworth, and found them correct in form, and in compliance with the Constitution of the Diocese, and they therefore recommended the admission of said parish to represent in this Convention; whereupon, on motion, it was admitted.

The Committee on Qualifications reported that they had examined the certificate of lay delegates from said parish, and that Messrs. S. J. Munson and H. M. Johnson had been duly elected delegates from said parish. When their names being called upon the roll, they answered to their names and took their seats.

Mr. W. C. Ransom moved an amendment to Canon section 1, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion, the form of parochial reports was amended by inserting immediately after the word "individual" the following words in parenthesis. "(not including families)."

The treasurer presented his annual report (*Appendix C*), which was referred to the Committee on Finance. The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee was duly organized Thursday, May 9, A. M. by the choice of Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., as president, and Rev. J. E.

as secretary. The committee have had four meetings. They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Rev. Wm. Hobart Hare, S. T. D., Bishop of the diocese of Niobrara, and the Rev. John Gottlieb Auer, Missionary Bishop of Africa. They have recommended the admission of Thomas A. Taggart, as candidate for Deacons' orders, and subsequently signed his canonical testimonials for ordination to the Diaconate. They have authorized the formation of the parish of St. John (South), Leavenworth. They have approved of certain bills for printing of the Journal, and other necessary expenses paid by the Bishop and secretary. They have authorized the payment of forty dollars additional assessment on the diocese for purposes of the General Convention. They have received notice from the Standing Committee of the diocese of Ohio, of the death of Bishop McIlvaine, of that diocese, and have adopted and communicated to said Standing Committee a minute of respect for the memory of their Bishop.

CHAS. REYNOLDS, *President.*

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, presented the following report:

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, beg leave to report that several of the members have attended the regular examinations of the Institution, and are satisfied with the proficiency of the pupils. The unsettled condition of affairs incidental to removal from the old building to the new, has interfered in some degree with the usual method and thoroughness of instruction characteristic of this institution. The college is now, however, in successful working order, and we commend it to the patronage of all who desire for their daughters and wards an education under the best literary and Christian influences.

A. BEATTY, *Chairman.*

The Committee on the Support of the Episcopate, appointed at the last Convention, presented their report, during the consideration of which the hour for elections having arrived, the rules of order were suspended, and the elections postponed, that the business on hand might be disposed of. The report and resolution recommended by the committee, as finally adopted, are as follows:

This committee respectfully report, that in the judgment of the committee, the time has arrived when the diocese should undertake, according to its ability, to aid in the support of its Episcopate. We find, on investigation, that the

present annual salary received by the Bishop, is much less than he is fairly and justly entitled to. The amount he actually receives is made up as follows:

From the Domestic Board.....	\$500
From the American Church Missionary Society.....	750

These sources of supply are, however, liable at any time to be cut off, as the exigencies of these societies may require. In addition to this, the Episcopate fund now in the hands of trustees, amounts to the sum of \$15,400, which is invested in United States bonds, and the income of which is about \$1,000. These trustees are Charles Wheeler, Joseph Townsend, Lemuel Coffin, Parker Shortridge, all of Philadelphia; the Rev. H. Dyer, of New York; the Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, and A. G. Otis, of Kansas. The whole amount thus received by the Bishop, is about \$2,250. There is also the Episcopal residence at Lawrence, held by the Bishop as trustee for the diocese. This property when sold, as we understand it will be as soon as a sale can be effected without material loss, will, by its proceeds, increase the permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate. At present, however, so far from being a source of income, it is a cause of expense, as the taxes on it, which amount to three or four hundred dollars a year, are paid by the Bishop, thus reducing his annual income, from all sources, to eighteen or nineteen hundred dollars. This amount, in view of traveling and other expenses necessarily incident to the position he occupies, and also of the amount of labor and value of the services performed, we consider an altogether inadequate salary for the Bishop of the diocese. We understand that the salary allowed the Missionary Bishops by the Board of Domestic Missions, including traveling expenses, is \$3,500, and we think that, so far as is possible, that amount as a minimum should be aimed at and approximated to in the salary which our Bishop receives. It is apparent that the salary now received by him, must be materially increased as a simple act of justice to the Bishop. We therefore recommend that an effort be made by the diocese in the direction of such an increase—an effort which shall grow from year to year, until the annual amount paid the Bishop from all sources, shall be the full sum of at least \$3,500. And to further the end desired, we also recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention, in addition to the amount charged upon each parish as now, for Conventional expenses, assess upon the parishes respectively, an additional sum, especially for the Bishop's salary, at the rate of at least seventy-five cents for each communicant, and that the rector and vestry of each parish be charged with the duty of collecting the same, and transmitting it to the treasurer of the Convention.

J. N. LEE,
GEORGE GEIGER,
A. G. OTIS,
W. W. WRIGHT,

Committee on the Support of the Episcopate.

On motion, the Convention took a recess till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, May 15, 1872, 2 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The following report was presented, and the resolutions therein adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the resolution in regard to the record in the Journal of the names of lay delegates and alternates, beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the secretary of the Convention be instructed to record upon the Journal the names of only three lay delegates from each parish, including such as may be present during the sessions of the Convention, and that the certificates of lay delegates be prepared according to this rule.

A. BEATTY.

M. MAURY,

J. CULLYFORD,

Committee.

Elections being in order, were now proceeded with, and, on motion, the Rev. John Bakewell was unanimously re-elected treasurer, and the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, registrar, of the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders, for members of the Standing Committee. The clergy chose, and the laity approved, in their separate houses, the following as clerical members: The Rev. Messrs. Chas. Reynolds, D.D., J. K. Dunn, John Bakewell, and J. N. Lee. The laity in like manner chose, and the clergy approved, the following as lay members: Messrs. W. W. Nevison, E. M. Bartholow, W. C. Ransom, and J. W. Farnsworth. On motion, the chair appointed Rev. A. Beatty, Rev. M. Maury, and Dr. J. H. Stringfellow, a Committee to make nominations for the Executive Missionary Committee for the ensuing year.

The Committee, after consultation, reported the following names for said Executive Missionary Committee: The Revs. J. Bakewell, J. K. Dunn, D. O. Kellogg, and P. N. Meade, and Messrs. Geo. Geiger, J. Farnsworth, S. W. Stone, and Wm. H. Canfield.

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On motion, the report was adopted, and the above named persons declared duly elected.

On motion, the Chair appointed Revs. J. N. Lee, C. Butler and Mr. H. M. Moore, committee to make nominations for the visitors and examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

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The committee reported the following names for said visitors and examiners: The Revs. A. Beatty, J. H. Lee, J. M. Kendrick, J. Bakewell, C. E. Butler, P. N. Meade and Mrs. R. C. Geiger.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the above named persons declared duly elected visitors and examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka.

The committee to whom so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the death of Bishop McIlvaine and to that of Mr. Wolfe, was referred, reported the following minutes, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from earth the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., LL.D., D. C. L., whose name has been a power in Christendom for more than half a century, and whose laborious Episcopate adorned the Church for more than forty years;

And, whereas, It has pleased Him, in His infinite wisdom, also, to remove from the Church below an honored layman, Mr. John David Wolfe, whose name has so long been familiar to us as a synonym for large-hearted and open-handed charity, therefore be it

Resolved, That we record upon this day's Journal the following

MINUTES:

In the death of Bishop McIlvaine, the second Diocesan of Ohio, the American church has lost a bright and shining light, a preacher of preeminent

gifts and graces, a logician of commanding power, a father of loving heart, of profound learning and of Christ-like purity; And, whereas, the whole Anglican branch of Christ's church has lost in him the learning, natural gifts, and Christian graces, which it has for so long a period held in the highest esteem; We, as a component part of these great communions, deem it our duty and our privilege to send to our sister diocese of Ohio, the assurance of our heart-felt sympathy in her irreparable loss.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble, resolution, and of this minute, be forwarded to the secretary of the Convention of Ohio, to the president of the Standing Committee of that diocese, to the present Bishop of Ohio, and to the afflicted family of our departed father in God.

In the death of Mr. John David Wolfe, the Protestant Episcopal Church has lost one of her most devoted and benevolent sons—one who for a third of a century gave systematically and most liberally to all good objects, everywhere, of the large means of which God had made him steward—and this diocese, to which he had been so eminently kind, mourns a patron, who was ever ready to administer to its constant wants and to its urgent necessities. May the noble example of our departed friend and brother and benefactor be followed by many of the affluent sons and daughters of the Church, and may they all realize in this life, as we have every reason to believe our lamented brother did, that “it is more blessed to give than to receive,” and, in the life to come, the promise: “Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me.”

Resolved, That a copy of the preamble and resolution, and of this minute, be forwarded to Miss Wolfe, the sorrowing daughter of the departed.

CHARLES REYNOLDS,
L. L. HOLDEN,
W. C. RANSOM,
Committee.

A majority of the Special Committee appointed at the last Convention (see Journal of 1872, page 13) to whom was referred the proposal to amend Section 3 of Article III of the Constitution, in regard to the ratio of representation from each parish, reported in favor of the principle of the change proposed, and recommended the change in the following form:

“Every parish, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, to be chosen by the parish at its

annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry. Every parish numbering fifty or less communicants, shall be entitled to two delegates. Every parish numbering more than fifty, and not more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to three delegates. Every parish numbering more than one hundred communicants shall be entitled to four delegates. The delegation from each parish represented shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to the full number of votes to which said parish is entitled."

A minority of the same committee reported that they deemed the proposed amendment inexpedient.

After an earnest discussion of the proposed amendment, the committee was continued, and the whole subject, on a division by a vote of twenty-three to eleven, referred back to them, with instructions to report to the next Convention their amendment as now proposed, with such changes in the Constitution and Canons and Rules of Order as shall be required to make them consistent with the change proposed.

The Committee on Diocesan Institutions presented the following report, which was accepted, and the resolution therein recommended adopted, almost unanimously, one vote only being in the negative.

The Committee on Diocesan Institutions report that they have listened to the statements of the Bishop's Address, announcing the success of his efforts for the entire completion of the new building of the College of the Sisters of Bethany. In addition to all the other reasons for the patronage of this institution there now exists this additional and very important one, that it has taken possession of its beautiful and convenient home.

The committee has also listened to the report of the Committee of Visitors and Examiners, who speak of the management and instruction of the institution in the same terms of commendation that have hitherto been used by similar committees of this Convention, with reference to this seminary under its old name.

The committee urge upon the diocese the growing claims of this diocesan institution.

The College of the Sisters of Bethany is the only institution that is in any sense a diocesan institution. The Bishop has announced that a theological

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school is about to be organized and to take possession of the premises hitherto occupied by the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

The committee recommend the Convention to pass the following resolution, in view of the change that has been made in the corporate existence and name of the school for girls, at Topeka, now known as the College of the Sisters of Bethany, formerly known as the Episcopal Female Seminary :

Resolved, That this Convention heartily approves the action of the trustees of the Episcopal Female Seminary, at Topeka, in reference to the change in the corporate existence and name of said institution ; and that this Convention does hereby relinquish and convey to said Board of Trustees all the rights, title and interests which it has or may have heretofore possessed and enjoyed in the property or in the management and control of said corporation or of said institution, subject only to these conditions : That the property of said corporation or institution shall never be alienated from the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that the Board of Trustees shall always be composed of persons who are members of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. KENDRICK,

Chairman.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted :

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report :

We find on examination that the report of the treasurer of the Convention is correct.

We regret to note a deficit in the accounts of several parishes with the Convention, amounting in the aggregate for the year 1872-73 to \$35, and for the year 1871-72 to \$35, making a total deficit of \$70. A balance remains in the treasurer's hands in favor of the Convention of \$377.50.

We recommend to the Convention for its action, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the parishes of the diocese be assessed for the year 1873-74, for Conventional purposes, the following sums, respectively, viz :

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$40.00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	50.00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	10.00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	55.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, (amount of deficit).....	25.00
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	15.00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	30.00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5.00
Christ Church, Salina.....	5.00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00

St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	5.00
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	5.00
St. John's Church, South Leavenworth.....	10.00
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	5.00
Total.....	\$390.00

They also recommend the following as the apportionment on the several parishes of the diocese, under the resolution adopted for the support of the Episcopate, viz:

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$39.75
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.25
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	14.25
Ascension Church, Burlington.....	25.50
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	10.50
Holy Apostles' Church, Ellsworth.....	12.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	15.75
St. Thomas' Church, Eureka.....	12.00
Post Chapel, Fort Harker.....	5.25
Post Chapel, Fort Riley.....	6.75
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	36.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	8.25
Mission at Holton and New Malden.....	9.75
Emmanuel Church, Humboldt.....	18.75
Epiphany Church, Independence.....	9.00
Covenant Church, Junction City.....	27.75
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	112.50
St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	60.00
St. John's Church, (South) Leavenworth.....	17.25
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	51.00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	21.00
Christ Mission, Netawaka.....	10.50
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	4.50
St. James' Church, Paola.....	10.50
Christ Church, Salina.....	9.75
Grace Church, Topeka.....	63.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	9.00
St. John's Church, Wichita.....	7.50
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	29.25
Total.....	\$662.25

All which is respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE,

W. C. RANSOM.

Committee on Finance.

It being moved and seconded, the following resolution was put by the secretary, and adopted *nem. con.*:

Resolved, That the Convention, in addition to whatever amount may be raised during the coming year, by the special assessment for the support of the Episcopate, hereby appropriates toward the salary of the Bishop for the year

1873-'74, the sum of \$250 out of the Conventional assessment fund, said sum to be payable to the order of the Bishop.

The secretary here informs the Convention that a communication has been received by him, and also by the Bishop, from the secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention, giving notice that, at the last meeting of that Convention, two proposed changes of the General Constitution of the Church, were approved, and are to be finally acted upon at the next meeting of that body in 1874.

The proposed changes are as follows :

Resolved, That Article IV of the Constitution be amended by omitting the last seven words, viz. : "By any church destitute of a Bishop," and substituting the words, "In another diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof," so that the Article shall read as follows :

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop or Bishops in every diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that diocese; and every Bishop of this church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper diocese, unless requested to ordain or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office in another diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Resolved, That it be recommended and proposed that the following alteration be made in Article V of the Constitution, to wit : Insert at the end of the Article the words :

"The General Convention may, upon the application of the Bishop and Convention of an organized diocese, setting forth that the territory of the diocese is too large for due Episcopal supervision by the Bishop of such diocese, set off a portion of such diocesan territory, which shall thereupon be placed within, or constitute, a missionary jurisdiction, as the House of Bishops may determine."

On motion, the Convention took a recess till 7½ o'clock this evening.

THURSDAY EVENING, May 15, 1873, 7½ O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Canons, through Rev. Dr. Reynolds, chairman, reported sundry amendments to section 1, Canon IV, "On the election and duties of Wardens and Vestries," the effect of which would be to require that the wardens to be chosen shall be male communicants, and to make women who are communicants, eligible, to serve on vestries. After a long and full discussion, the whole subject was finally laid on the table.

The report of the Executive Missionary Committee was presented. (*Appendix D*).

On motion, the first item of the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, was taken up, and the proposed change in section 1, of Article II, of the Constitution, approved last year, was adopted, so as to make said section read as follows :

ARTICLE II—ANNUAL CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the church in this diocese on the second Wednesday in September annually (after the year 1873), at such place as the preceding Annual Convention shall have appointed.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be a committee to publish five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention, and also seven hundred and fifty copies of the Bishop's charge.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held at Grace church, Topeka.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the members of the parish of St. Paul, in this city, and to the members of the parish of St. John, (South) Leavenworth, for their kind hospitalities during the session ; and also, to the different railroad companies who have reduced their rates to the delegates in attendance.

The business of the Convention being concluded, after devotional exercises led by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL. *President.*

JOHN K. DUNN. *Secretary.*

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John K. Dunn
Secretary

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APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Once more, my brethren of the clergy and of the laity, it becomes my duty, at this our annual gathering together in Convention, to lay before you a statement as to the religious condition of our diocese, and the report of my Episcopal acts during the past year.

Meeting, as we do, in this church, so enlarged and beautified, we may first speak of *our church improvements*.

This Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, has as you see, been nearly doubled in size by the addition of two more bays in its length, by the putting in of its east wall, with its finely arranged windows, symbolical of its name, and by the completion of the original design of its distinguished architect, Mr. Richard Upjohn. The church stands now as one of the most impressive in our far West. The zeal of the rector, and the persevering fidelity of those who have so generously co-operated with him, are abundantly rewarded in this very successful termination of their labors.

The new Trinity church, in Lawrence, has also been finished. It was opened on Easter day, and its opening was greeted by crowded congregations at both the morning and evening services. The Bishop and the Rev. Prof. Kellogg were present with the rector, and assisted him

on each of these occasions. The beautiful building here spoken of, the rival of this beautiful Church of St. Paul, is the result of most patient labors and self-sacrifices on the part of both its rector and its congregation. With but little wealth in the hands of the people, the subscriptions have been very generous, and the persistent devotion of the women as well as of the men of the parish has at length met with its cheering recompense in success.

In finishing these churches some debt has been contracted, which is to be carefully managed, and as speedily as possible provided for, by the good business vestries which administer the finances of these parishes. The consecration of these churches will be necessarily postponed until these debts are cancelled.

The diocese may well be congratulated on the possession, in a single year, of two such churches within its borders.

The Church of St. Andrew's, Fort Scott, has also been greatly improved since our last Convention. A commodious recess chancel has been added; the interior generally remodelled and repaired; and the whole structure is made attractive and suitable as a House of Prayer. A small sum is still due for the completion of these extensive improvements, for the liquidation of which balance due measures are already arranged. The consecration of this church is thus, for a little time, delayed.

This parish deserves great praise for its prudent financiering, paying as it goes, and avoiding, until the present emergency, the embarrassment of debt. It is now, with its church almost new, with its new and commodious parsonage, and in its comparative freedom from debt, in a condition of much promise and prosperity.

The church at Manhattan is, also, to be improved by the addition of a recess chancel, which will not only much enlarge its capacity by giving to it several more pews, but will greatly increase its beauty by securing for it more accurate and tasteful proportions.*

Several new churches are in progress—at Salina, at Emporia, at Monmouth, at Baxter Springs, at Independence, and we trust it will not be long before their completion will be announced.

The confirmations in the diocese, since the last Convention, have been as follows:

May 10, 1872, at St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, three (3) persons.

On Whitsunday, May 19, at St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, eleven (11) persons.

May 20. Monday in Whitsun week, at St. John's mission, Girard, Crawford county, one (1) person.

May 21. Tuesday in Whitsun week, at St. Mark's mission, Baxter Springs, Cherokee county, four (4) persons.

May 22. At St. Paul's mission, Chetopa, Labette county, two (2) persons.

May 24. At Epiphany mission, Independence, Montgomery county, two (2) persons.

June 13. At the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, one (1) person.

June 16. Third Sunday after Trinity, at St. John's mission, Wichita, Sedgwick county, two (2) persons.

June 20. At Grace church, Topeka, one (1) person.

June 25. At Grace church, Topeka, seven (7) persons.

July 7. Sixth Sunday after Trinity, at St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, Jefferson county, three (3) persons.

July 28. Ninth Sunday after Trinity, at the Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, Franklin county, seven (7) persons.

September 8. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, at Trinity church, Atchison, three (3) persons.

*NOTE.—Almost immediately upon the rising of the Convention, it was resolved by the wardens and vestry of Grace church, Topeka, to add transepts to the present church building, to reconstruct its roof and ceiling in correspondence with the Gothic open roof of the proposed new transepts, and to carry out such extensive changes as practically to make of the old building a new church.

September 22. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, at Trinity church, Lawrence, one (1) person.

April 20, 1873. First Sunday after Easter, at Trinity church, Atchison, six (6) persons.

April 25. At St. Andrew's church, Emporia, four (4) persons.

April 27. Second Sunday after Easter, at the Church of the Ascension, Burlington, Coffey county, twelve (12) persons.

April 29. At the Church of the Covenant, Junction City, four (4) persons.

April 30. At St. Paul's church, Manhattan, four (4) persons.

May 4. Third Sunday after Easter, at St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, six (6) persons.

May 5. At St. John's mission, Girard, Crawford county, one (1) person.

May 8. At Trinity church, Lawrence, two (2) persons.

May 11. Fourth Sunday after Easter, a.m., at Grace church, Topeka, three (3) persons.

Same day, p. m. At Emmanuel church, Monmouth, Shawnee county, three (3) persons.

May 13. At the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, three (3) persons.

The whole number of persons confirmed in the diocese, on twenty-five (25) different occasions, has been only ninety-six (96) persons, making an average of not quite four for each confirmation service. The largest number, on any one occasion, was, at Burlington, of twelve persons. To be sure, on several of these occasions sickness has detained some who had resolved to be presented. And on two or three occasions severe storms of wind and rain have prevented some who intended to be present. But for these hindrances our confirmations would have somewhat exceeded one hundred for the year. But, making all proper allowances, the number of candidates for the year has been very small, reflecting either upon the general lack of religious interest on the part of our

people, or the lack of a suitable system on the part of our pastors, or, perhaps, what is the most reasonable explanation of the fact, proving the engrossing occupation of the minds and hearts of our people with matters of pecuniary or of worldly interest. The past year has been an anxious year in the secular condition of our State. The times have been very hard. Business has been very dull and unremunerative. Taxes have been very high. Debts at the common rates of interest have been very exhausting. Money has been very tight. The church has sympathized with this condition of things, and the fruits of the ministry have been comparatively few. And, while our organizations have been continued, and some new ones made, and our general work has been carried on, yet the results upon the real spiritual improvement of our parishes and missionary stations have not been as encouraging as is to be desired. I ask my brethren, both clerical and lay, to enquire into the causes of such results, that we may amend ourselves wherein we are at fault, and our modes of work wherein we have hitherto failed.

While on the platform of one of the crowded street cars of New York city, on the afternoon of the last day of last December, the book containing the memorandum of my visitations for 1872, together with three or four ten-cent pieces, and several railroad passes, which expired on the very day when they were stolen, was taken from my coat, by a pickpocket, doubtless to his very great disgust, when he examined the book, and, certainly, to my very great inconvenience. I am not able, therefore, to give the details of my visitations. They have included the principal parts of the State, where our parishes and Mission Stations are to be found—along

the line of the Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf Railroad, to its terminus at Baxter Springs, on the southeast corner of the State—along the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad, to Independence, just above the Indian Territory—along the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad to Chetopa, on the border southward of the Indian Territory—along the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad to Wichita, in Sedgwick county, on the southwest—along the Kansas Pacific Railway, westward, as far out as to Salina and Ellsworth—along the Central Branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, to Blue Rapids, in Marshall county, on the northwest. At all our various parishes and stations along these routes of many hundreds of miles, and at other points not on these routes, I have been constantly busy while in the diocese, and, as you know, have had no leisure days. I regret that it was not possible for me to visit Howard and Greenwood counties, where we have two stations, and that our itinerant work along the northern tier of counties has been so far intermitted, as not to make a visit necessary there, at a cost of much time and inconvenience, and with the interruption of other and more pressing duties.

In my report of confirmations, you notice none between September, 1872, and April, 1873. Through a considerable part of this intermediate time, I was absent at the East, collecting funds for the completion, at the capital of the State, of the new building for the College of the Sisters of Bethany, known heretofore as the Episcopal Female Seminary of Topeka. I am very happy to announce, in this formal and public way, that, through the blessing of God, in the great kindness and liberality of our brethren at the East, my efforts were substantially successful; and that the new and very

beautiful building, with all its necessary and proper fixtures and conveniences for the thorough and accomplished education of the pupils, and for the physical health and exercise of the boarders, and for the religious and moral training of all its inmates, is now almost all completed, and is paid for. Some work remains to be done in the interior finishing of the chapel, which will be attended to during the summer vacation. The expense for this has been most kindly provided for by Miss Wolfe, to whose father's munificence this Institution is so largely indebted. I shall make a further allusion to this dear departed friend, presently.

It will be proper here to state, and to put upon record, some facts in regard to the history of this Institution.

The Episcopal Female Seminary of Topeka was originally organized under a charter granted by the Territorial Legislature, bearing date February 2d, 1861, in which charter the first seven trustees were named, of whom only one now remains in the Board, the other six, with a single exception of voluntary withdrawal from the Board, having died or removed from the diocese. By the old charter all the powers of the corporation were lodged in the Board, which was not even required to report to the Convention, the Convention having no power whatsoever, except that of electing the members of the Board, and with no chartered right to direct, instruct, or even to advise the Board.*

*A copy of the old charter is here subjoined for the information of those who have more recently entered or become interested in the diocese:

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE EPISCOPAL FEMALE SEMINARY
OF TOPEKA.

Be it Enacted, etc.

SEC. 1. That N. O. Preston, Rush Elmore, Wilson Shannon, Cyrus K. Holliday, J. W. Bodine, George Fairchilds and J. Ryan are hereby constituted

For conclusive reasons, arising out of certain defects of the old charter, and certain advantages that would

a body corporate, under the name and style of the "Episcopal Female Seminary of Topeka," and they shall have perpetual succession, and a common seal, and in their corporate capacity may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in all the courts whatsoever.

SEC. 2. That the said Board of Trustees shall have power to receive and acquire, recover and hold any money or real or personal property or estate that may be granted, donated, or devised for the use of said institution, or already subscribed therefor, not exceeding in value the sum of fifty thousand dollars, and to dispose of any such property in such manner as will best promote the object of their organization.

SEC. 3. That said corporation shall have power to confer all literary honors and degrees conferred by similar institutions, and to create such other degrees as may best promote the education of pupils.

SEC. 4. That said Board of Trustees is hereby empowered to elect a Faculty, appoint or elect professors, tutors, and such other officers as the interests of the institution may require. They may also displace the same for sufficient reasons, and may make such by-laws and regulations as will, in their opinion, further the interests of the Seminary.

SEC. 5. That the property held and owned by said corporation shall be exempt from all taxation whatsoever.

SEC. 6. That the Board of Trustees shall be elected at each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas; Provided, however, if there be no election, the old Board to continue in office until their successors are elected.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

(Signed)

JOHN W. SCOTT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(Signed)

W. W. UPDEGRAFF,
President of the Senate.

This Bill having been returned by the Governor, with his objections thereto, and, after reconsideration, having passed by a vote of two-thirds of both Houses, it has become a law.

This 2d day of February, A.D. 1861.

(Signed)

JOHN W. SCOTT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(Signed)

W. W. UPDEGRAFF,
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accrue from an organization under the General Statute of the State, it was resolved by the Board of Trustees, in the winter of 1869-'70, after full and mature deliberations, to abandon the old charter, as the law permits, and to reorganize the Board of Trustees under a new charter, in accordance with the General Statute of corporations. The property of the Institution had never been held by the Board of Trustees, but by the Hon. Wilson Shannon, of Lawrence, for a considerable time Governor of the Territory, as the sole or naked Trustee. The action of the Trustees in organizing the new corporation, was consummated by depositing, as the law requires, with the Secretary of State, the new charter, and obtaining his certificate of the fact, on the 21st day of March, 1870. The new charter was dated February 4th, 1870, and was deposited with the Secretary of State and filed by him on February 14th, 1870. In due time, after perfecting these arrangements, the property, which Governor Shannon had so long and so faithfully held for the benefit of the Institution, was made over by him, in legal form, to the Board of Trustees, who now hold it as a corporation, the deed bearing date, April 16th, 1870. The thanks of the church in this diocese are due, and, I am sure, I do but express the general and cordial feeling, to Governor Shannon, for his long and very faithful discharge of this trust for the benefit of the Institution and of the diocese with which it is connected

In changing to the new charter, the old name of the Institution was retained, and the Institution, although chartered with collegiate rights, was still denominated, under the new as under the old charter, the Episcopal Female Seminary of Topeka.

In the course of the next year, it was farther deemed

proper, in view of certain considerations of general expediency as well as of taste, to change the name of the Institution, as the law permits, to one more consistent with its real character and design as expressed in its charter. The new name adopted was, as it now is, the "College of the Sisters of Bethany." This change was adopted on the 10th day of July, 1872. The filing in the office of the Secretary of State, as well as his certificate, bears date July 11th, 1872.

This name was selected for the purpose of indicating the design of the Institution as a Christian school for women. We desire, by this name, to show, that we aim to make this Institution like that sweet Home of Bethany, which Jesus visited and so hallowed by His frequent presence, and of which it is written: "Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus"—that Home, where the younger Mary sat at Jesus' feet, while the elder Martha, not forgetful of His Divine teachings, but occupied with her household cares, ministered to His temporal comfort—that Home, which contained the representative women of the two great classes of Christian womanhood, the contemplative and the active, the devotional and the energetic, the women of studious and prayerful Christian influence, and the women of stirring, busy Christian life, each class equally, in quietness or in activity, loving, and being loved by Jesus. And we wish by this name, also to indicate the family character of the Institution, and the endearing sisterly relation which all its inmates should sustain towards each other. Let Martha and Mary, those two favored sisters of Bethany, be the types for all our pupils, as henceforward they succeed each other in the history of this Institution. And may Jesus evermore visit this Home and Family, and hallow it by

His constant presence and by His perpetual benedictions!

In giving a collegiate name to this Institution, as warranted by the terms of our charter, we have endeavored to adapt its character fully to its name, and have accordingly advanced and enlarged its entire educational system. The new curriculum embraces a thorough collegiate course, as well as an academical or preparatory department and a primary department. The collegiate course is of three years, with special adaptation to the needs of our girls and young women, and to their most complete intellectual and moral development.

The opportunities in this Institution are very great. With a building certainly one of the finest, if not the very finest, in the whole country, for its purposes—with an effective corps of excellent and experienced teachers—with every advantage for the physical health and comfort of the pupils and boarders, and with every proper provision for their moral oversight, and for their religious nurture, it deserves to be loyally sustained and patronized, not only by the members of the church in this diocese, but by all the people of our State. As the only Institution of the sort under Protestant control in the State, it ought to be regarded by the Protestants of the State, of whatsoever denomination of Christians, as their especial pride, and they ought, by their liberal co-operation with us in their patronage, to make it in every respect what it ought to be.

Before entering upon the work of putting up the new building, I made a special arrangement with the Trustees, that, in the event of my putting up the new building on the twenty-acre square, and whenever I should there complete it, the Trustees should convey to me, or to such

other Board of Trustees as I should name, the old building with its grounds, for the uses of another Institution to be then created. That other Institution is the "Kansas Church Divinity School." The work of this new Institution although the transfer of the property has not yet been made, nor the incorporation yet formally effected, is already commenced, and one resident student is entered upon its rolls. This Theological School will soon, if God spares us, be legally in operation. May it be a faithful school of the prophets, to do its work in the coming ages effectually for the glory of God, and for the benefit of His holy church!

In view of the location of these diocesan Institutions, at the capital of the State, I have, on my return from the East, removed my personal residence to that city. And I accordingly request, that hereafter all letters or other communications be addressed to me, at Topeka.

Letters Dimissory have been given to three clergymen: To the Rev. Kinney Hall, deacon, at the request of Bishop Talbot, to the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese of Indiana; to the Rev. John Godfrey Jones, to the missionary jurisdiction of Colorado, Wyoming, &c.; to the Rev. Joseph W. Norwood, to the diocese of Nova Scotia. Letters of acceptance have as yet been received from only the ecclesiastical authority of Indiana, and will doubtless in due time come from the others.

Three clergymen have been added to our clerical list: The Rev. Carlos E. Butler, rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, from the diocese of Ohio; the Rev. John P. Fugett, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan, from the diocese of Pennsylvania; and the Rev. Thomas Arthur Taggart, deacon, acting as missionary under my direction, and residing at Topeka.

Mr. Taggart was by me ordained deacon, in the course of the Morning Service, at Trinity church, Atchison, on the 1st Sunday after Easter, April 20th. His examiners were the Rev. George Turner, and the Rev. P. N. Meade. He was presented by the Rev. P. N. Meade.

A few changes in the parochial relations of some of our clergy are to be noticed :

The Rev. Henry Atwater is now a recognized missionary in Howard county, and particularly at Cedar Vale and its neighborhood.

The Rev. Carlos E. Butler, who for a time had been the assistant of Bishop Randall, in the church at Denver, has taken charge of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, and is now filling the rectorship of that parish with usefulness and acceptance.

The Rev. Daniel W. Cox, having resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's church, Manhattan, has become the rector of St. Andrew's church, Emporia. The work of completing the church building in this city has been partially resumed, and the interior has been made quite comfortable for the worshippers.

The Rev. J. P. Fugett, who, during the winter officiated at Ottawa, has accepted an invitation to the rectorship of St. Paul's church, Manhattan, and entered upon his duties in that parish on Easter Day.

In the course of the last year a new parish has been formed in Leavenworth. The Mission of St. John has developed into St. John's church, fully organized as an independent parish in South Leavenworth. An invitation was extended to the Rev. D. Otis Kellogg, jr., to be its first rector, and was accepted by him, subject to his engagements at the State University, where he holds his professorship. In January, finding his engagement

with the parish inconvenient, he resigned the rectorship, and has since devoted himself mainly to his increasing duties at the University. The rectorship of St. John's is still vacant.

The Rev. A. S. Teutschel, who, in the early part of the last autumn entered upon missionary work at Emmanuel mission, in Humboldt, was induced, in the course of the winter, to remove to Wichita, the financial difficulties of the time having led many of our people in Humboldt to remove elsewhere. Several of them having gone to Wichita, persuaded their clergyman to follow them. This is a very important point, and the residence of a clergyman there has been postponed too long. I trust Mr. Teutschel may be prospered in it, in proportion to his most commendable fidelity and activity. The effort at Humboldt is for the present suspended.

In carrying on the work of our Church in this new State, we are dependent, to a very large extent, upon the pecuniary liberality of our brethren in the older and stronger dioceses. It is but the impulse of a natural gratitude to acknowledge the liberal aid which we have received. To the generous friends, who have contributed so freely towards our college for girls, we acknowledge most gratefully our large obligations. The missionary agencies of the Church, both the Domestic Committee of the General Board of Missions, and the managers of the Church Missionary Society, have realized the special importance of our field, and are doing all they can to aid us with appropriations very considerably larger than heretofore. Our debt to these unfailing and faithful helpers is most thankfully recognized. To the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, of Pennsylvania, we also tender our sincere thanks for

their liberal donations to us, year-by-year, for many years past, for prayer books for use in our new diocese; and to the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, or similar contributions to us during the last two or three years. These missionary manuals, next to the living ministers, lead our people to the Word of God, and to the Saviour of sinners.

Within the last Coventional year two new Bishops have been consecrated. The Rev. William Hobart Ware, S. T. D., to the Domestic Missionary Jurisdiction of Niobrara, as virtually the Bishop for the Indians of his country; and the Rev. John Gottlieb H. Auer, D. D., to the Foreign Missionary Jurisdiction of Cape Palmas, and parts adjacent, in Africa. In these appointments our whole Church, as a unit, has coincided; and the ordination of these brethren under these circumstances, may be regarded as the augury of a more thorough unity and missionary devotedness throughout our communion. And, in this connection, it is encouraging to know that in different parts of our land, and in different schools of our Church, men are offering themselves to be sent as missionaries to these posts of danger and trial, and to these far-distant fields, drawn by the love of Christ, and by the desire to extend His kingdom. The Lord of the harvest is sending forth the laborers. The Church now must bring out her treasures, the silver and the gold, to sustain them.

Since our last Convention, three of the older Bishops of our Church have been removed by death.

The Rt. Rev. George Upfold, D. D., Bishop of Indiana, ordained Bishop on December 16, 1849, died on the 26th of August, 1872, aged seventy-five years. For many years before his election to the Episcopate, he was a

prominent member of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention. The earlier years of his administration of the diocese were marked by zeal and energetic labors. His latter years were marked by his long endurance of severe physical pains from protracted disease, cutting him off, to a large extent, from public duties, and confining him as a sufferer to his house and to his room. He rests from his labors in the home where there is "no more pain." Bishop Talbot, his assistant, succeeds him as diocesan.

The Rt. Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D., LL.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, ordained Bishop on December 29th, 1842, died on the 12th of September, 1872, aged seventy-one years. Of high classical culture, of extensive theological learning, of distinguished social polish, of earnest zeal in the service of God, his name is honored among us. His direct honesty of purpose, his clear and decided convictions of truth, his bold assertion of his principles, enable him to be remembered with reverence. For many years I was a presbyter under his oversight, and his frank sincerity, his manly utterance, his courteous kindness, and his generous friendship are warmly appreciated in my memory and in my heart. He was emphatically "an honest man.....the noblest work of God."

The Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D., LL.D., D. C. L., Oxon, ordained Bishop of Ohio on October 31, 1832, died on the 12th of March, 1873, aged seventy-five years. He was absent in Italy for his health, and died in Florence. His remains have been brought back to his diocese, and the burial was at Cincinnati, on Friday last, the 9th instant. I know not how to speak of the bereavement to our Church and to our country.

He was one of the few greatest men that this country has ever produced, and one of the very few of the very greatest with whom God has adorned and blessed this Church, as a clergyman and as a bishop. This young diocese of Kansas mourns for him in a keen sympathy with his own diocese of Ohio; for one entire third of all our clergy, nine on our present list, have either studied in his schools, or have been settled under his supervision, or have been ordained by the laying on of his hands. We have revered him as the learned scholar and the profound divine; we have submitted to him as the eloquent preacher and the convincing logician; we have admired him as the courtly gentleman and the captivating friend; we have loved him as the pure Christian exemplar, and the faithful father in Christ. We feel how desolate the Church is without him. May the Lord raise up others equally gifted with intellectual powers, equally gifted with spiritual graces, to stand in his stead, as leaders in "the sacramental host of God's elect."

All these Bishops have overlived the age of three score years and ten, allotted to man. They were wise in their venerable age, valuable for their counsel, discriminating in their experience. Their wisdom is gone from us. Their prayers for us are ended. Their example and their teachings are our precious inheritance.

In direct association with these venerable names, that of an honored layman—*clarum et venerabile nomen*—to whom this diocese is under weighty obligations—presents itself. I refer to the late Mr. John David Wolfe, of the city of New York. To his generous munificence mainly is to be attributed our success in the completion of the beautiful new building of the

College of the Sisters of Bethany, our diocesan school for the Christian education of the girls and young women of this our far West. His liberal contribution of *fifteen thousand dollars*, afterwards increased by himself and daughter to *twenty-one thousand*, gave us the start—the impulse—which carried us through, and which has secured for us an institution, whose total cost is not far from *seventy thousand dollars*. The south section of the building, containing the gymnasium, the main school room, and the chapel, one-third of the entire structure, is his gift, and bears his name as **WOLFE HALL**—the name in raised letters from the solid stone, to perpetuate to those who come after us his kindness. Mr. Wolfe was taken away almost immediately after the adjournment of our last Annual Convention. At the annual examination and commencement of the institution, in June, directly after the sad intelligence reached us, on a rude platform upon the floor joists of the then unfinished chapel, such of the trustees of the college, and such of the clergy and other friends of the college as could be present, met and adopted resolutions expressive of our sense of our loss, and our grateful memory of our departed benefactor.*

*The resolutions were as follows:

"*Resolved*, That we, representatives of the Clergy and Laity of the diocese of Kansas, have learned, with sincere sorrow, of the decease of Mr. John David Wolfe, of the city of New York who has been so well known and so highly honored in this diocese as a most generous benefactor of this Diocesan Institution for the education of the girls of this trans-Missouri country."

"*Resolved*, That, assembled as we are in the beautiful wing of this new seminary building, known as **WOLFE HALL**, after his name, and containing the noble chapel and school rooms, which have been reared by his beneficence, we here declare our sense of the rare personal worth of this eminent Christian benefactor, and of the loss which this whole church, and this diocese, and this Institution have sustained in his removal."

"*Resolved*, That the memory of Mr. John David Wolfe will ever be affectionately and gratefully cherished in the diocese of Kansas, while coming generations shall be successively benefited and blessed by this important Christian Institution, to the establishment and success of which he has so munificently contributed."

"*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded, through the Bishop, to Miss Wolfe, and to Mrs. Spencer, the daughter and the sister, whose names are so closely associated, with that of the Founder of this Hall, in the welfare of this Institution, and in the grateful recollections of those who are striving to make it a blessing to our Western land."

Words are weak to express my sense of obligation to **this** dear and venerated friend. In common with all my **Episcopal** brethren, in all this spreading West, these **States** and Territories from the Mississippi river to the **Pacific** ocean; and in common with many, many others, **aided** by right royal gifts from him, in all good charities, **in** the East as in the West, we mingle our tears with **those** who mourn for him in his home, asking for them **Divine** consolations, and praying the gracious Lord still **to** provide such generous helpers in His church, in these **days** of opportunity and of duty.

The loss, to which we have just been referring, has to **us** the effect of a diocesan bereavement. We have leaned **upon** him, and he is removed from us. What can we do?

And thus God's Providence forces upon us the question, which we are so often compelled to meet: How shall the regularly recurring needs of this missionary diocese be permanently supplied?

We can not *always* depend upon these noble helpers in our old States. Still, for several years to come we *must* look to them. I know it is difficult for our brethren at the East to comprehend the exceeding poverty of our present resources, in a new State, where all its people are poor, and all, in addition to this, also in debt for their lands and farms not yet paid for; where interest for the use of money is excessive, and almost incredible;* where taxes are onerous beyond any thing known in older and wealthier communities,† and where every thing

*As for instance, in many parts of this State, on most of our new lands, a common rate of interest paid by pre-emptors, is from three to five per cent. a month—*three* quite common *five* not unusual. The cases are frequent, where a man receives \$40, and pays a note payable in twelve months for \$100—the \$60 bonus being the five per cent. a month for twelve months, paid thus in advance.

†e. for instance I have this year paid a tax of \$400, in cash, upon my dwelling—e. valued at less than \$8,000, or a tax of *over five per cent.* on the actual valuation.

of public necessity is to be created at once out of the very poverty of the people, be the sacrifice what it may. A few years will make a great difference with us. But after all, *now* is the time, when our opportunities are most numerous, and our church needs are most pressing. We must still depend upon others for a little while longer. And yet we see the importance of helping ourselves as much as possible. We must inaugurate some effective system of religious contributions. We must bring forth all the strength we have. It must be the thing aimed at by the clergy and by the laity, to give all that is possible. Every parish, every mission station, must do its utmost.

At two convocations last year, held in July and in September, with special reference to this subject, we discussed this whole matter very fully, our clergy and our lay representatives from the several parishes taking part in the discussions. And the result was quite satisfactory. It was resolved, that the amount to be raised for diocesan missions in our several parishes and mission stations, should be equal to *at least* ten per cent. upon the amount of the salaries received by the rectors and missionaries. Although the Conventional year was considerably advanced before this work was fairly systematized in the parishes, yet the *full* proportion aimed at has been realized in several of them, and in some of them under peculiar disadvantages, arising from the building, improving, and furnishing of churches. The whole amount raised in the diocese has been nearly double that raised in any previous year. The report of the Executive Missionary Committee, which will be published in the Appendix to the Journal, will give the details. I congratulate the diocese upon this auspicious inauguration of a system, into which the diocese must

be educated from the beginning, into which each parish must be trained from its primary organization, a system whose future results will be of incalculable advantage to the cause of Diocesan Missions.

A great work remains to be done in our diocese, in contemplating which the painful impression is *the sense of almost utter hopelessness and helplessness as to accomplishing it*. I will state some of the openings at this very moment inviting us, *in addition to* all the points which are at present occupied, and which are engrossing all of our available means and men. We want, then, *in addition to all we now have*:

1. One missionary along the east end of the Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf Railroad, for Wyandotte and Platte.
2. One missionary, on the same road, above Fort Scott, for Paola, La Cygnes, Pleasanton, &c.
3. One missionary, on the same road, below Fort Scott, for Girard, Columbus, and Baxter Springs.
4. One missionary, on the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad, for Ottawa and Garnett.
5. One missionary, on the same road, for Chanute and Humboldt.
6. One missionary, on the same road, for
7. One missionary, on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad, on the south end, for Chetopa and Parsons.
8. One missionary, on the same road, next northward, at Leroy, Hartford, Council Grove, &c.
9. One missionary, on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad, between Topeka and Emporia, at Carbondale, Burlingame, Arvonia, Osage City, &c.
10. One missionary, on the same road, next south-

westward, below Emporia, at Cottonwood Falls, Florence, Peabody, &c.

11. One missionary, on the same road, westward, at Newton and Hutchinson.

12. One missionary, on the same road, still westward, at Raymond, Great Bend, Larned, Dodge, &c.

13. One missionary, down the Arkansas valley, below Wichita, at Augusta, Arkansas City, &c., and in Cowley and Butler counties.

14. One missionary, on the Kansas Pacific Railway, on the east, at Wamego, and up the valley of the Big Blue, and in Wabaunsee county.

15. One missionary, on the same road, westward, at Solomon City, Salina, Brookville, and Ellsworth.

16. One missionary, on the same road, still further westward, at Hays City, Victoria, Ellis, and Russell county.

17. One missionary, at Cedar Vale, and other places in Howard county, and at Eureka, and other places in Greenwood county.

18. One missionary, up the Republican river, at Wakefield, Concordia, Clay Center, Clyde, &c.

19. One missionary, for the west end of the Central Branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, at Waterville, Blue Rapids, Irving, Clear creek, Center township, &c.

20. One missionary, on the St. Joseph & Denver Railroad, at Seneca, Marysville, and Hiawatha, in Marshall and Brown counties.

21. One missionary, on the same road, at Ellwood, Wathena, Troy, White Cloud, &c.

All these points are open to us—all invite us. In them all are some members and communicants of our church.

All these points are now unoccupied by us, although we manage to hold a service occasionally at some of them. We have not the men, for we have not the money. If we had the money, we could have the men. What shall we do?

All these points *are additional* to those which we now occupy. And, in addition to all these, a half-dozen missionaries might be most profitably employed in visiting the *scores* of smaller towns, not named, not possible to be named, sprung up or springing up in all parts of this growing State, in nearly every one of which towns, as in the outlying rural districts, are to be found some of the scattered members of our "household of faith."

It is very hard not to be discouraged, in contemplating such a field. Is it not possible for our church in some way to concentrate its strength, as other Christian bodies do, upon such a field, becoming so populous? What can we do, *with only about five or six thousand dollars per annum from all sources*, for the occupancy of such a field, where the Presbyterians are spending \$18,000 per annum, and the Congregationalists are spending \$22,000 per annum, for their missions, in addition to the tens of thousands of dollars annually expended by them for church buildings and institutions, and where other Protestant bodies are doing proportionally, and where the Roman Catholic authorities are spending money, with lavish hand, upon their missions and institutions, in their desire and effort to take possession of this important Central State. We blame none for their efforts. We commend their wisdom, their forethought, their liberality. But *what are we to do?*

Can anything be done? What a glorious work it would be for some wealthy member of our church, to

take up such a diocese as this, and make its mission work a specialty—to appropriate some ten or fifteen thousand dollars per annum to carry it on, until this diocese should be established into a strong and powerful diocese for God's work in this spreading and boundless West. Would that God might put it into the heart of some of His devoted and favored servants, to help us, in some way, in our great necessity, and in our grand opportunity, for Jesus' sake!

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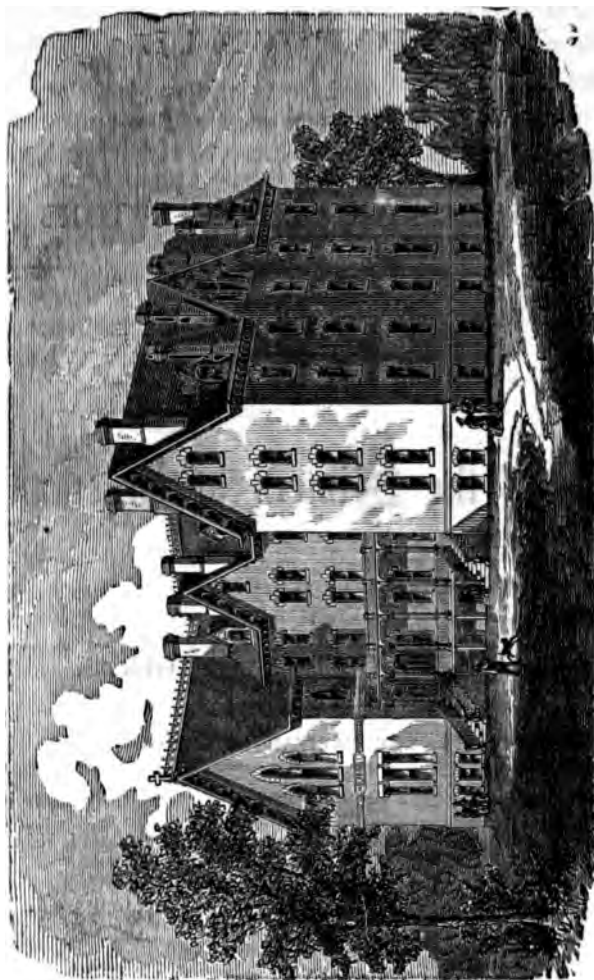
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John D. Wolfe, New York.....	\$ 18,000.00
Miss Wolfe, New York.....	3,000.00
A friend in R. I.....	5,000.00
William Holmes, Pittsburgh.....	5,000.00
Stewart Brown, New York.....	2,000.00
Mrs. C. L. Spencer, New York.....	2,000.00
Mrs. Nathalie E. Baylies, Taunton.....	2,000.00
J. F. Sheafe, New York.....	1,750.00
Mrs. R. E. Rainsford and her sisters, daughters of Mrs. S. A. Dean, New York.....	1,700.00
John Bohlen and Miss Bohlen, Philadelphia.....	1,500.00
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ray, New York.....	1,250.00
Mrs. N. Thayer, Boston.....	1,000.00
Miss Mary Bowman, Philadelphia.....	700.00
Mrs. Mary H. Brunot, Pittsburgh.....	500.00
Asa Otis, New London, Connecticut.....	500.00
Charles Wheeler, Philadelphia.....	500.00
Asa Whitney & Sons, Philadelphia.....	500.00
Rev. John Bakewell, Topeka.....	500.00
Mrs. Crawford Allen, Providence.....	500.00
Mrs. M. B. Ives and her daughter, Mrs. Russell, Providence.....	500.00
James M. Brown, New York.....	500.00
Howard Potter, New York.....	500.00
George B. Grinnell, New York.....	500.00
George Kemp, New York.....	350.00
Mr. and Mrs. Rowse Babcock, Westerly, R. I.....	300.00
Mrs. Mary Jackson, Pittsburgh.....	250.00
A. G. P. Dodge, New York.....	250.00
Adam Norrie, New York.....	250.00
William B. Crocker, New York.....	250.00
Arthur W. Benson, Brooklyn, New York.....	250.00
<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$ 51,800.00</i>

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$ 60,020.00
Miss Mary Hyer, New York.....	50.00
John W. Ellis, New York.....	50.00
Mrs. W. C. Barrett, New York.....	50.00
Adam T. Sackett, New York..	50.00
Mrs. W. Alex. Smith and sister, Miss Jones, New York.....	50.00
James D. Orton, Newark, N. J.....	50.00
Anonymous, Providence.....	50.00
Mrs. Peter Hubbell, Charlestown, Mass.....	50.00
Mrs. Eliza Shimmin, Boston.....	50.00
Joseph S. Fay, Boston.....	50.00
J. Arthur Beebe, Boston.....	50.00
Robert M. Mason, Boston.....	50.00
Amos A. Lawrence, Boston.....	50.00
F. Gordon Dexter, Boston.....	50.00
William W. Morland, M. D., Boston.....	50.00
J. B. Moorhead, Philadelphia.....	50.00
Miss Donaldson, Philadelphia.....	50.00
C. P. B. Jeffreys, Philadelphia.....	50.00
Young Ladies at Madame Clement's School, Philadelphia, (German- mantown)	50.00
John Clayton, Philadelphia.....	50.00
Sundry (93) contributions, of less than \$50, ranging from \$40 to less than \$1.....	1,128.20
Interest on bank deposits, accumulated, total in three years.....	1,542.65
Proceeds of sale of school property in Prairie City, appropriated by the diocese of Kansas.....	579.00
S. S. Fund of the Church of the Covenant, Philadelphia.....	50.00
Donation per the Rev. A. P. Stryker, Baltimore.....	195.20
Donation per the Rev. Dr. Houghton, Church of the Transfigura- tion, New York.....	150.00
Donation per the Rev. C. E. McIlvaine, Christmas offering, S. S. of St. John's church, Norristown, Pa.....	72.43
Donation per Lemuel Coffin, Esq., an Easter offering, Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.....	120.00
Donation per the Rev. W. B. Morrow, Thanksgiving offering, St. Stephen's church, Milburn, N. J.....	120.00
Donation per the Rev. S. E. Appleton, Missionary Society, Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia.....	50.00
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$ 65,025.48

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<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$ 65,025.48
Donation per the Rev. Dr. Babcock, (Wm. R.), Missionary offering, St. John's church, Jamaica Plain, Mass	50.00
Donation per the Rev. A. B. Carter, an Easter offering, Church of the Holy Saviour, N. Y	100.00
Collections , or parts of collections, from the following churches: Trinity church, Washington; St. John's church, Norristown; St. Mark's church, Frankford; St. Mark's, Epiphany, St. Stephen's, Trinity chapel, Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia; Christ church, Germantown; St. John's, Elizabeth; St. John's, Yonkers; Church of the Heavenly Rest, of the Holy Com- munion, of the Ascension, and chapel of St. Luke's hospital, New York; St. Thomas's and St. John's, Taunton; St. James, Boston Highlands; St. Paul's, Brookline; St. James, New London; Church of the Reformation and Christ church, Brook- lyn, N. Y	1,443.33
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	\$ 66,618.81

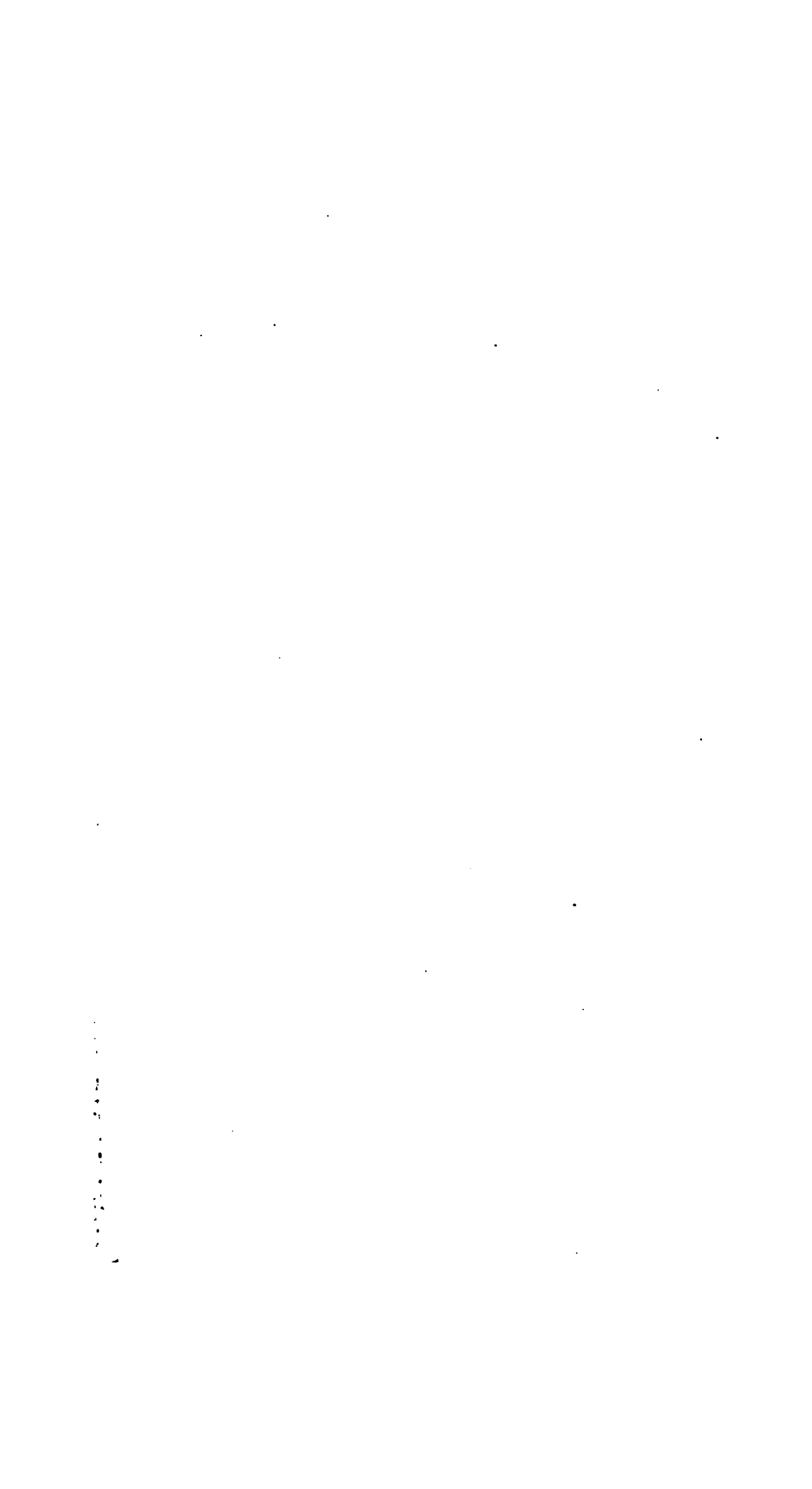
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Architect's elevations and working plans, and percentage of Super- intendent	\$ 1,400.00
Fees of lawyers, securing titles of lots, redeeming tax titles, other taxes, insurances, etc., as per details in account	2,443.15
Cost of collections, printing, photographing, electrotyping, travel- ing, etc	562.70
Interest on bank loans, while waiting for funds, and with the work in progress	338.00
Additional attachments, or extras, necessary to the suitable operat- ing and use of the building, as plumbing, elevator, furnaces, lightning rods, gas piping, range, speaking tubes, etc	5,513.84
Besides the above, some furnishing of the building, as bedsteads, mattresses, pillows, blankets, sheeting, table linen, bureaus, wash stands, chairs, crockery, knives and forks, spoons, carpets, etc	1,705.48
The entire cost of the building, proper	54,655.64
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	\$ 66,618.81

A true statement of the account to date.

THOMAS H. VAIL,
Bishop of Kansas.

Topeka, Kansas, May 14, 1873.



APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Rev. P. NELSON MEADE, Rector.

Families, 63 ; individuals, 19.	
Baptisms: Infants, 16 ; adults, 3 ; total, 19.	
Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 2. Burials, 13.	
Communicants: Last reported, 53 ; added, 22 ; died or removed, 6 ; present number, 69.	
Sunday School: Teachers, 7 ; scholars, 50 ; total, 57.	
Communion alms.....	\$167.75
Contributions - Objects within the parish :	
Furnishing Hymnals for church.....	\$28.00
Christmas Tree.....	50.00
County Bible Society.....	10.00
	<u>\$88.00</u>
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan Missions.....	\$92.00
Indian Missions (from Sunday School).....	24.10
Freedman's Commission.....	16.00
Fund for Indigent Clergy.....	9.15
Conventional assessment for year 1871-72.....	40.00
Conventional assessment for year 1872-73.....	40.00
	<u>\$221.25</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$476.90</u>

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Rector.

Families, 47 ; individuals, 11.	
Baptisms: Infants, 12 ; adults, 4 ; total, 16.	
Confirmed, 17. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10.	
Communicants: Last reported, 48 ; added, 23 ; died or removed, 16 ; present number, 55.	
Sunday School: Teachers and Officers, 11 ; scholars, 65 ; total, 76.	

Communion alms.....		\$
Contributions—Objects within the parish :		
Internal improvements of church.....	\$1,456 00	
External improvements of church and parsonage.....	200.00	
Sunday School requisites.....	70.00	
Baptismal font from Sunday School.....	39.45	
		\$1,
Objects without the parish :		
For a brother in need.....	\$58.00	
Conventional assessment.....	25.00	
Diocesan missions.....	50.00	
Domestic missions.....	11.80	
Foreign missions.....	7.65	
Indian missions.....	7.00	
Home of the Friendless.....	5.25	
		\$.
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$1,

Considering that we have no wealthy men in the parish, and that little of the above has been contributed with the recognition that *gives religious duty*, the Rector "thanks God and takes courage." He also d to bear witness to the uninterrupted kindness of this people towards him

BROWN COUNTY.

Christ Church, Netawaka, Rev. GEO. TURNER, Missionary.

Families, 9.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; total, 3.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; died or removed, 5; present num

Objects without the parish :

 Home missions.....

BROWN AND JACKSON COUNTIES.

Calvary Mission, Holton and Grand Prairie, Rev. GEO. TURNER, Missionary.

Families, 10.

Communicants, 5; present number, 5.

Since my last report my labors have been confined principally to Nets Holton and Grand Prairie, and occasionally at New Malden. Although we suffered by removals and death, yet our congregations are good and atte The seed sown I hope will yield a plentiful harvest. We are encourag our efforts to purchase the Baptist church edifice, and hope to fit it u summer for our exclusive use. At Holton, the county seat of Jackso labor under embarrassment, not having a suitable place for Divine servic we can depend on. Grand Prairie is on the Kickapoo Reservation; I hold Divine service once a month in two new school houses: In the W the morning and in the North (near Hiawatha) in the evening. The c gations are good. The services seem to be appreciated, as we have in g hearty responses, although it is but a short time since the liturgy of our b church was introduced.

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CHEROKEE COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs, Rev. THOMPSON L. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5.

Confirmed, 4. **Burials,** 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 9; added, 2; removed, 5; present number, 6.

Sunday School: Teachers, 4; scholars, 26; total, 30.

Communion alms.....	\$5.00
Contributions—Objects within the parish.....	\$187.00
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$192.00

This parish has suffered by removals.

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington, Rev. J. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 30.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 5; total, 9.

Confirmed, 12. **Marriages,** 2. **Burials,** 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 34; added, 15; died or removed, 3; present number, 46.

Sunday School: Teachers, 4; scholars, 40; total, 44.

Communion alms (appropriated to various missionary purposes).....\$40.00

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Sunday School.....	\$10.00
Repairs, &c.....	75.00
	\$85.00

Objects without the parish:

Foreign missions.....	\$4.00
Church Missionary Society.....	10.00
Evangelical Educational Society.....	4.00
Diocesan missions.....	31.31
Conventional assessment.....	15.00
Children of S. S. for Diocesan missions.....	11.11
	\$75.42

Total of communion alms and contributions..... **\$160.42**

There has been more of earnest work on the part of the members, and more evidence of the work of the Spirit for the last few months, than at any time during the past three years; for which God's holy name be praised.

During the year I have spent one Sunday at Cottonwood Falls, holding but one service on a very unfavorable day at the Congregational church, and two Sundays in the country in Franklin county, holding one service each day in a school house.

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DAVIS COUNTY.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. M. MAURY, Rector.

Families, 40; individuals, 13.
 Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 1; total, 18.
 Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6.
 Communicants: Last reported, 87; added, 11; died or removed, or ceased to commune, 12; present number, 36.
 Sunday School: Teachers, 8; scholars, 42; total, 50.

Communion alms (report of these included in that for Diocesan Missions).

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Sunday School expenses (\$14.46 of which was raised by Sunday School children).....	\$43.38	
Christmas tree and presents for Sunday School.....	65.00	
Testimonial for organist.....	68.00	
For digging cellar, building flue, and setting furnace in the church (\$53.00 of which was given by friends in Philadelphia, Richmond, Va., and Georgetown, D. C.)	184.35	
		\$361.33

Objects without the parish:

Diocesan missions (\$4.13 of which was from Sunday School children).....	\$110.18	
Foreign missions from Sunday School children.....	12.50	
Diocesan assessment.....	25.00	
		\$147.68

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$509.01

As the furnace above referred to failed to heat the church, payment for it is deferred until it is replaced by a larger one. Its cost, including the expense incurred in building cellar and flue, will be about \$525.00.

The ladies' sewing society has contributed towards this object \$46.50; besides this sum they have also raised by their needle-work, about \$35.00.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence, Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, Rector.

Families, 86; individuals, 34.
 Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 3; total, 22.
 Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 5. Burials, 9.
 Communicants: Last reported, 150; added, 15; died or removed, 24; present number, 141.
 Sunday School: Teachers and officers, 10; scholars (including Bible class), 113; total, 123.

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Communion alms (less \$25.00 included below).....		\$99.75
Contributions—Objects within the parish :		
For new church purposes (in addition to amounts paid by the ladies and the Sunday School).....	\$6,660.85	
Donations for interest	582.00	
Donations of additional feet to church grounds (value)	500.00	
By the ladies: Public entertainments.....	\$1,100.55	
Socials	167.40	
Sewing society.....	121.90	
Donations.....	67.75	
Interest received.....	87.12	
Special work of two ladies.....	50.00	
Missionary box (value).....	20.00	1,614.72
By the S. S. (in addition to \$100.00 included below)...	38.23	
		<u>\$9,895.80</u>
Objects without the parish :		
Diocesan missions (\$100.00 of which S. S. Easter coll.)	\$150.00	
Domestic missions.....	15.35	
Foreign missions.....	10.00	
Mexican mission.....	10.00	
Evangelical Educational Society.....	20.00	
Evangelical Knowledge Society.....	20.00	
A brother in need.....	25.00	
Christmas fund.....	3.65	
Conventional assessment.....	\$55.00	
Conventional assessment (balance for 1871-72)	4.50	59.50
		<u>\$313.50</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$9,819.05

The above financial statistics include only cash or its equivalent raised or received during the year. There are in addition some balances on subscriptions to building new church, yet to be paid. It may be proper, also, to add in regard to confirmations, that a violent storm occurred at the time of the Bishop's visitation, and prevented some from being present to receive the sacred rite, who are now awaiting another opportunity for that purpose.

The year has been a very happy one to us in the completion of our new church edifice, which we occupied for the first time on Easter Sunday. Our people have displayed a commendable degree of zeal and liberality in the work, and our ladies especially, deserve all praise for their unfailing earnestness and devotion. May the future, by God's blessing, realize the bright expectations of the present!

ELLSWORTH COUNTY.

Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, reported by JAMES MILLER, Senior Warden.

Families, 7; individuals, 8.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.

Sunday School or childrens' church: Teachers, 3; scholars, 30; total, 33.

Since good chaplain Vaux left Fort Harker, and as a consequence our little church, we have been "sheep without a shepherd," literally! God grant that we may soon again have the consolations of the church and its liturgy.

GREENWOOD COUNTY.

St. Thomas' Church, Eureka. Vacant. Reported by J. G. WEBSTER, Warden.

Families, 20 ; individuals, 50.
Communicants, 20.

We have had service but twice during the year. Several of our people have moved away, and some others have come. We feel that our patience in waiting for a minister, or even a missionary, is long drawn out, but we rest on the hope that God, in His own good time, will send us some one to preach His Word to us.

HOWARD COUNTY.

Rev. H. S. ATTWATER, Missionary at Cedar Vale.

Families, 9 ; individuals, 25.
Baptisms : Infants, 1.
Marriages, 1.

Communicants : Found here, 5 ; added, 3 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 7.

Besides the above statistics, to give a clearer view of the field in which the Providence of God has called me to labor, it is necessary to premise that it is not yet three years since this land was the property and home of the Indians. On their removal, settlers at once flocked in, until the land is about all taken, and now dwellings are as frequent as in the rural portions of New England. But alas—

“While every prospect pleases,
Man is vile.”

The Lord's Day—the preaching of the gospel—and the ordinances of religion are little regarded. It is difficult to find a suitable place to officiate, and when found, more difficult to find a congregation to preach to. A year's experience has taught me that the first work for the missionary is visiting from house to house, and inculcating the truth on individuals. Utter ignorance of the Episcopal church, and prejudice against it, are obstacles which first must be removed, before we can hope our worship will be joined in, or the preaching of the blessed gospel received from us with profit.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Rev. GEO. TURNER, Missionary. (See Brown county).

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa. Vacant. Reported by the Wardens.

Baptisms : Infants, 3 ; adults, 1 ; total, 4.
Confirmed, 3.
Communicants : Added, 1.

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Contributions—Objects within the parish :		
Sundry parochial expenses.....	\$25.00	
Donation to Rev. J. W. Norwood.....	65.00	
		\$90.00
Objects without the parish :		
Foreign missions.....	\$1.60	
Domestic missions.....	6.65	
Conventional assessment.....	5.00	
		\$13.25
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$103.25

We have had no services since September last, and are much in need of a missionary. Come over into Macedonia and help us.

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Chetopa, Rev. T. L. SMITH, Missionary.

Baptisms: Adults, 1.		
Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1.		
Communicants: Last reported, 14; added, 3; died or removed, 11; present number, 6.		
Communion alms.....	\$6.00	
Contributions—Objects within the parish.....		\$400.00
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$406.00

This parish has also suffered greatly from removals.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, Rector.

Families, 62.		
Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 2; total, 19.		
Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 5. Burials, 9.		
Communicants: Last reported, 138; added, 10; died or removed, 68; present number, 80.		
Sunday School: Teachers, 9; scholars, 93; total, 102.		
Communion alms.....		\$46.85
Contributions—Objects within the parish :		
By Ladies' Society, for church building, &c	\$756.15	
By Sunday School offerings.....	96.53	
From subscriptions and collections for church building	209.75	
For convention assessment.....	75.00	
		\$1,137.43
Objects without the parish :		
Missionary offerings, diocesan.....	\$116.40	
Mite chests, Domestic Committee Board of Missions..	14.15	
		\$130.55
Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$1,314.83

During this year the extension of the church of St. Paul has been finished ; the building is now complete except the tower. The parish of St. John has been organized in South Leavenworth, and within the original limits of the parish of St. Paul, to which twenty-six families and twenty-six communicants have been transferred. Upon the appointment of a chaplain at Fort Leavenworth, nine families and ten communicants residing at the Fort, and for several years borne upon this report, were transferred to him.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. John, Leavenworth. Vacant. Reported by S. J. MUNSON, Warden.

Families, 27 ; individuals, 10.

Communicants : Present number, 23.

Sunday School : Teachers, 5 ; scholars, 30 ; total, 35.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :

For church robes.....	\$20.00	
For Christmas tree.....	20.00	
For prayer books and hymnals.....	5.00	
		<u>\$45.00</u>

Objects without the parish :

Diocesan missions.....		<u>\$16.60</u>
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Total of communion alms and contributions.....		<u>\$61.60</u>
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This parish was organized last fall. Being without a Rector, any report must be somewhat imperfect. The field is a fine one, and we hope may soon be occupied.

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector.

Families, 22 ; individuals, 4.

Baptisms : Adults, 2 ; total, 2.

Confirmed, 4. Burials, 1.

Communicants : Last reported, 21 ; added, 14 ; died or removed, 6 ; present number, 29.

Sunday School : Teachers, 3 ; scholars, 14 ; total, 17.

Communion alms.....		<u>\$23.55</u>
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Contributions—Objects within the parish :

For work on church building.....	\$165.00	
For chancel carpet.....	16.50	
		<u>\$181.50</u>

Objects without the parish :

Conventional assessment.....		<u>\$15.00</u>
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Total of communion alms and contributions.....		<u>\$220.05</u>
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I resigned the charge of St. Paul's church, Manhattan, last October, in order that I might accept a call to the rectorship of this parish.

Our parish is in a very weak condition, and will probably continue so for some time. We have not been inactive, however, but have been and still are making every honest effort to secure additional means to complete our church edifice, which is now so far finished as to be quite comfortable, except in cold weather. Our work here has some discouragements. However, we have faith, and pray for the counsel and guidance of our Heavenly Father.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

Rev. CHAS. HOLMES, Missionary.

Zion Church, Center Township.

Families, 14; baptized individuals, 65.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; total, 12.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants: Added, 9; present number, 9.

Sunday School: Teachers, 3; scholars, 20; total, 23.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Building fund	\$600.00
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Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$600.00
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Marysville Mission.

Families, 5; individuals, whole number of baptized, 24.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; total, 2.

Burials, 1.

Communicants: Added, 2; whole number, 2.

The services held have been only occasional. The interest is not very hearty, though a few of our people are in earnest.

Other places in Marshall County: Baptized persons, 28.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.

Families, 11; whole number baptized individuals, 46.

Burials, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 19; added, 3; died or removed, 8; present number, 14.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Mission papers for distribution.....	\$4.50
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Objects without the parish:

Diocesan Missions	\$4.68
Foreign missions.....	4.05
Domestic missions.....	4.00
Evangelical Education Society.	10.00
	\$22.73

Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$27.23
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Clear Fork Mission.

Families, 2; individuals, 9.
 Baptisms: Infants, 1; total, 1.
 Burial, 1.
 Communicants: added, 4.
 Contributions are included in St. Mark's report above.

Under the present arrangement of my services I visit Clear Fork every other Sunday afternoon. Every fourth Sunday lay service is held by L. P. Holmes, Lay Reader. This leaves one Sunday in four vacant, which is nominally claimed by a minister of another denomination, but as he is not very regular our own service is frequently held on his day, he being absent.

In addition to the parochial reports presented above, I beg to report further, as follows: Two parishes, St. James', Seneca, and Zion, Center Town, Marshall County, have been organized. Services have been held by me in eleven parts of this county. So far I have found about 175 persons who have been baptized into Christ by ministers of our own or of the English Church. The most of these persons are reached by the present arrangement of the services I hold.

CHAR. HOLMES.

MIAMI COUNTY.

St. James' Church, Paola, vacant.—No report.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. A. BEATTY, Rector.

Families, 14; individuals, 20.	
Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.	
Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 10.	
Communicants; Last reported, 12; added, 13; died or removed, 3; present number, 23.	
Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 25; total, 30.	
Communion alms.....	\$15.20
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For church building	\$600.00
Contingent expenses.....	125.78
Sunday School offerings	15.75
For Christmas tree.....	25.00
For the poor	15.00
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	\$781.53
Objects without the parish:	
Domestic missions.....	\$8.00
Diocesan missions.....	5.00
American church missionary society.....	2.50
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	\$15.50
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/>
	\$812.23

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The congregation have erected a small, but well proportioned gothic church. It is not yet completed, but will be ready for use about the middle of June. The want of a proper building in which to worship, has been a great hindrance to our growth. Our people have exerted themselves to the utmost, and are worthy of commendation for the efforts they have made.

NEMAHA COUNTY.

St. James', Seneca, Rev. CHARLES HOLMES, Missionary.

Families, 6; baptized persons, 22.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; total, 6.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants, 1.

Contributions—Objects without the parish:

B. White prayer books..... \$5.00

St. James was organized in the early part of the summer of 1872. Since then all the communicants but one have left the town; and more than half of the baptized parishioners. The interest which has been shown by the people of Seneca, however, warrants the assertion that if a minister could be sent them, a strong congregation would soon be built up.

I have advised the parish not to ask admission into union with the convention, under the existing circumstances.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, Wamego, Rev. J. H. LEE, Missionary.

Families, 12.

Communicants: Present number, 8.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 70; total, 79.

Contributions—Objects within the parish \$150.00

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish, Manhattan, Rev. J. P. FUGETT, Rector.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

This people was without a rector for a period of six months, and there are at command no materials for an annual report.

I took charge on Easter Day, April 13th, and since then the numbers attending the services have much increased, while the Sunday School has been considerably enlarged.

Affectionately,

J. P. FUGETT.

Manhattan, May 14, 1873.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ Church, Salina, Rev. J. H. LEE, Missionary.

Families, 15; individuals, 10.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; total, 4.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants: Added, 3; present number, 14.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Church building purposes.....	\$350.00	
Missionary's expenses.....	54.00	
		<u>\$904.30</u>

Objects without the parish:

Conventional assessment.....	5.00	
Diocesan missions.....	7.50	
		<u>\$12.50</u>

Total of communion alms and contributions.....		<u>\$916.80</u>
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SEDGWICK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wichita, Rev. A. S. TEUTSCHEL, Rector and Missionary.
No report.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Topeka, Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, Rector.

Families, 68; individuals, 27.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10.

Confirmed, 11. Marriages, 5. Burials, 13.

Communicants: Last reported, 84; added, 11; died or removed, 10; present number, 85.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 60; total, 67.

Communion alms.....		\$102.78
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Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Christmas tree for Sunday School.....	\$70.00	
By Grace Church Aid Society.....	43.00	
For Sunday School.....	36.15	
		<u>\$149.15</u>

Objects without the parish:

Diocesan missions.....	\$150.00	
Bishop Hare for India mission.....	25.00	
Shawnee County Bible Society.....	40.00	
To Christ Church, Salina.....	100.00	
Conventional assessment.....	60.00	
		<u>\$375.15</u>

Total of communion alms and contributions.....		<u>\$627.08</u>
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Emmanuel Church, Monmouth, Rev. J. N. Lee, Rector and Missionary.

Families visited in church, 13; not in church, 12; total, 25.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; total, 2.

Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 28; added, 6; died or removed, 2; present number, 32.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, about 35; total, 42.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Sunday School.....	\$6.30	
For new church (including \$30 from concert).	90.00	
		\$96.30

Objects without the parish:

Japan mission.....	\$1.00	
Indian mission.....	5.30	
Conventional assessment.....	5.00	
		\$11.30

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$107.60

The most noteworthy events in the outward history of this little mission parish the last year, have been:

1st. The completion of the new church so that it could be occupied for divine service through the winter.

2d. The observance of the Lenten Season—two cottage services having been held each week, beside Sunday services. These were largely attended—from twenty-five to forty usually assembling. They were conducted with service each evening, partly from the prayer book—reading the scriptures—a lecture by the minister, and a short time devoted to extemporaneous services.

3d. The opening, on Easter Sunday, of a Sunday school in the church. The people are encouraged, and hope to be able to finish their church, or nearly so, the present season.

J. N. LEE, *Missionary.*

WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte. Vacant.—No report.

Rev. GEO. D. HENDERSON, Chaplain United States Navy.

The undersigned has been for the last year in charge of a floating parish—the United States Flag Ship "Wabash," on the European station—with a population of eight hundred souls. The fifty officers, who are included in this number, are Americans, and many of them of our communion. The crew, while it comprises many Americans, has representatives out of "every nation under heaven." The ship's band of twenty pieces, is emphatically an "Italian band!"

Yesterday I had prayers at a hospital on shore, with one of our seamen, a Dane, from the Danish West Indies, who speaks English well, and repeated the Lord's Prayer after me. A young Swede lay in the next bed. Next to him lay a Roman Catholic sailor, still in death.

During our cruising along the coasts of the Mediterranean, we have met with several proselyted priests from the Roman church now in charge of Protestant congregations, and have been gratified to extend to them our Christian sympathy and co-operation, battling as they are for the truth of the gospel. These little flocks are multiplying fast in Spain as well as in Italy. Our stay at Athens gave us an interesting visit to the venerable Dr. Hill and his accomplished helpmate—both of whom stand among the highest in the respect and love of the Athenian clergy and people.

We were present at the closing exercises of their schools of five hundred Greek children, taught in part by English-speaking teachers, and in part by young Greek women. The questions were upon the Resurrection (it was Easter week), and were answered in the form of Biblical references out of the Old Testament and the New—all was marked by great promptitude and accuracy. Said in all the music of the old Greek tongue, and speeding swiftly along so many young, innocent lips, these sacred recitations were most pleasant. At the end, a priest of the Greek church, who was present, gave a brief address after reading a chapter out of the Old Testament. We came away, with those words of St. Paul in our thoughts. "Now abideth faith, hope and charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity."

GEO. D. HENDERSON,
Chaplain U. S. Flag Ship "Wabash."

Nice, France, 5th June, 1873.

Rev. D. O. KELLOGG, JR., Professor in the State University, Lawrence.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

Since my last report I have performed my stated duties at the State University as one of its instructors. I have also officiated on Sundays as follows: From the last Convention until the 1st of August as the curate of Rev. J. M. Kendrick at St. John's Chapel, St. Paul's Church, and Fort Leavenworth, as he assigned my duties. In August the congregation of St. John's Chapel organized themselves into a parish under the general law of incorporation for religious societies, and the vestry chose me for the rector. I served this new organization until the 1st of January, 1873, when I resigned the charge. Since that time I have occasionally preached at Lawrence and Leavenworth.

Very respectfully and faithfully yours,

D. O. KELLOGG, JR.

Rev. J. H. LEE, Professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan.

During the year I have preached and held or assisted in holding service as follows: Salina and vicinity, 21 times; Wamego, 14 times; St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, 12 times; at other places, 4 times; total, 51.

I have baptized, infants, 4; solemnized marriages, 6; officiated at burials, 2; total, 12.

I have also performed the duties belonging to the Chair of Latin and English Literature in the State Agricultural College.

J. H. LEE.

To **THE RT. REV. T. H. VAIL, D.D.:**

The undersigned is residing, for the present, in the Diocese of Missouri, but proposes to return to Kansas so soon as he can make the necessary arrangements here for that purpose. He officiates as openings are presented.

R. S. NASH.

Springfield, Mo., May 14th, 1873.

Rev. CHAS. REYNOLDS, D.D., Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.

Baptisms: Infants, 3.

Burials, 2.

Communicants, 8.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

I respectfully report that I have performed, in addition to my duties as Post Chaplain, the following duty during the last conventional year: The parish at Manhattan being vacant by the resignation of the Rev. D. W. Cox, and the vestry having invited me to take temporary charge of the same, I assumed the duty in December, 1872, and continued in charge until in the Providence of God, early in Lent, I was prevented from officiating by suffering from an ulcerated cornea which, for a time, deprived me of sight and prevented me from officiating for nearly ten weeks, and until within a very brief period prior to the meeting of this convention.

CHAS. REYNOLDS,

Post Chaplain U. S. A.

Rev. WILLIAM VAUX, Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7.

Marriages, 3; Burials, 7.

Communicants: Died or removed, 2; present number, 19.

Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 63; total, 68.

I was transferred to, and arrived at this post, August 2d, 1872. An enumeration of my ordinary duties as a Military Chaplain, does not seem necessary to be embodied as a report, beyond such statistics as are given above. We have no Parochial organization, and the frequent removal of troops prevents systematic ministration.

FORT HARKER.

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Burials, 2.

The above ministerial acts took place subsequent to the last Diocesan Convention, and previously to the removal of the Chaplain to Fort Leavenworth. The post at Fort Harker is very much reduced, nearly abandoned, a very few soldiers only remaining to guard the property.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM VAUX,

Chaplain U. S. A.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PLACE.	COUNTY.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR MISSIONS.	Baptisms			INDIVIDUALS.			FAMILIES.			MARRIAGES.			BURIALS.			COMMUNICANTS.						Sunday S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		
			Infants.	Adults.	Total.	CONTINUED.	BURIALS.	Last Reported.	Added.	Died or Removed.	Present Number.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Communion alms.	Objects within the parish.	Objects without the parish.	Total.										
Atchison	Atchison	Trinity	63	19	16	3	19	9	2	13	53	22	6	66	7	50	\$167.75	\$88.00	\$ 221.25	\$ 476.90								
Baxter Springs	Cherokee	St. Mark's	11	46	2	3	5	6	4	2	7	4	5	26	30	5.00	187.00	187.00	192.00									
Blue Rapids	Marshall	St. Mark's	30	4	5	9	12	2	1	34	13	3	8	14	44	4.50	23.73	23.73	27.33									
Burlington	Coffey	Ascension	9	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	7	3	23	85.00	75.42	75.42	160.42									
Cedarvale	Howard	Mission	14	65	12	12	1	1	1	9	9	3	3	20	23	6.00	600.00	600.00	600.00									
Center Town	Marshall	Zion	2	9	1	1	1	1	1	14	3	11	6	4	4	400.00	400.00	400.00	406.00									
Chepoka	Labette	St. Paul's	2	9	1	1	1	1	1	16	4	4	4	4	4	6.00	600.00	600.00	600.00									
Clear Fork	Marshall	Mission	22	8	1	2	2	4	1	21	14	6	29	3	14	23.55	181.50	15.00	920.05									
Ellsworth	Ellsworth	Holy Apostles	2	30	2	2	2	2	2	16	4	7	7	7	68	46.05	1785.45	164.70	1,976.90									
Emporia	Lyon	St. Andrew's	47	11	12	4	16	17	4	10	48	23	16	55	11	65	76	46.05	1,976.90									
Eureka	Greenwood	St. Thomas's	3	3	3	3	3	2	9	1	8	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13									
Fort Harker	Ellsworth	Post Chapel	3	3	3	3	3	2	9	1	8	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13									
" Leavenworth	Ellsworth	Post Chapel	3	3	3	3	3	2	9	1	8	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13									
Fort Scott	Bourbon	Post Chapel	47	11	12	4	16	17	4	10	48	23	16	55	11	65	76	46.05	1,976.90									
Girard	Crawford	St. Andrew's	3	3	3	3	3	2	9	1	8	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13									
Holton and {	Brown	St. John's	16	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13								
G. Prairie	Brown	Calvary	16	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	5	13								
Humboldt	Allen	Emmanuel	14	20	1	1	2	3	10	12	13	3	22	5	25	30	15.30	781.53	15.50	812.33								
Independence	Montgomery	Epiphany	40	13	17	1	18	4	10	37	11	12	36	8	42	50	391.33	147.68	509.01									
Junction City	Davis	Covenant	86	34	19	3	22	3	5	9	15	24	14	10	113	123	99.75	947.00	313.50	988.25								
Lawrence	Douglas	Trinity	62	17	2	19	4	5	9	138	10	68	80	9	93	102	46.85	1,137.43	130.55	1,314.83								
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. Paul	27	10	4	14	1	1	1	23	23	23	23	23	35	35	45.00	45.00	61.60									
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. John's	40	14	4	14	1	1	1	28	6	32	7	35	42	98.30	98.30	11.30	107.60									
Manhattan *	Riley	St. Paul's	25	9	3	1	2	3	1	1	8	6	2	32	7	35	42	98.30	98.30	107.60								
Monmouth	Shawnee	Emmanuel	9	3	1	4	3	1	1	6	1	7	6	7	14	5.00	5.00	5.00	10.00									
Netawaka	Brown	Christ Mission	15	10	4	4	4	1	13	3	2	14	14	7	60	97	904.30	12.60	916.90									
Oakaloosa.	Jefferson	St. Mark's	68	37	9	1	10	11	5	13	84	11	10	85	7	60	97	904.30	12.60	916.90								
Paola	Miami	St. James'	2	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	8	7	7	77	102.76	149.15	876.15	927.08									
Salina	Saline	Christ	28	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	39	180.00	180.00	180.00	190.00									
Topeka	Shawnee	Grace	26	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	39	180.00	180.00	180.00	190.00									
Wamego	Pottawatomie	St. Luke's	28	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	39	180.00	180.00	180.00	190.00									
Wichita *	Sedgewick	St. John's	28	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	39	180.00	180.00	180.00	190.00									
Wyandotte *	Wyandotte	St. John's	28	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	39	180.00	180.00	180.00	190.00									
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APPENDIX C.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. JOHN BAKEWELL, Treasurer, in account with the CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS. Cr.

1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.
May 10... To balance.....	\$831 70	June 8 By cash paid Bishop Vail towards his support for 1872-73.....	\$250 00
Nov. 5... To cash from Trinity Church, Lawrence, being balance due.....	4.50	May 8 By cash paid Rev. Mr. Holden for expenses in trial of Rev. C. Stewart.....	7 00
Dec. 1... To cash from Trinity Church, Atchison.....	12.00	By cash ditto to Rev. Messrs. Lee, Beatty and Turner.....	20 70
1873.		July 8 By cash paid for telegraphing in same trial.....	3 00
May 3 .. " from St. Andrew's Church, Ft. Scott ..	25 00	May 9 By cash paid Mr. Sinclair for Notarial fee.....	5 00
" 13 .. " from Church of Ascension, Burlington ..	15 00	Aug. 12 By cash paid Bishop Vail for Journal of 1873.....	154 00
" 14... " from St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5 00	Nov. 22 By cash paid Treasurer Gen. Convention additional assessments for Gen. Con. of 1871.....	44 00
" " " from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	55 00	May 15 By balance.....	\$77 10
" " " from St. Luke's Mission, Wamego.....	5 00		
" " " from Christ's Church, Salina.....	5 00		
" " " from Church of Covenant, Junction City.....	25 00		
" " " from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20 00		
" " " from Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5 00		
" " " from St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	15 00		
" " " from Grace Church, Topeka.....	40 00		
" " " from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	70 00		
	\$831 20		

JOHN BAKEWELL,

Treasurer.

Assessments remaining unpaid for the year 1872-73.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	\$25 00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, (balance).....	5 00
Grace Church, Topeka, (balance).....	20 00
St. John's Church, Girard, (including unpaid assessments for 1871-72).....	10 00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs, ".....	10 00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, ".....	10 00
Church of Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, (assessment for 1871-2).....	5 00
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	5 00
	\$40 00

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE
FOR 1872-73.

The Treasurer's report for the Conventional year up to and including the last day of the Convention, is as follows, the parishes marked with an asterisk having met the full proportion of ten per cent., and those marked with a dagger having almost but not quite met the proportion :

1872-73.	CR.	
To cash	from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth †	\$116.40
"	from St. John's Church, Leavenworth *	16 00
"	from Church of the Epiphany, Independence.	5 00
"	from Trinity Church, Lawrence *	160 00
"	from Grace Church, Topeka *	150 00
"	from St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.	4 75
"	from Christ Church, Salina.	7 50
"	from St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.	6 65
"	from Trinity Church, Atchison †	92 20
"	from Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.	1 50
"	from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan *	54 32
"	from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott †	54 95
"	from Church of the Covenant, Junction City *	110.18
"	from Church of the Ascension, Burlington *	42 42
"	from Interest on Bank Deposit.	7.00
"	from Balance from last year.	554 32
Amount raised in 1872-73		\$1 373.79
1872-73.	CR.	
By cash paid for Missionary services, per Rev. J. M. Kendrick		\$ 23.60
"	" " " per Rev. J. K. Dunn.	4 50
"	" John Ketcheson for printing	6 50
"	" Rev. Jos. W. Norwood	100 00
"	" Rev. Jas. A. Woodward.	100 00
"	" Rev. Charles Holmes	100 00
"	" Rev. A. S. Teutschel	200 00
"	" Rev. D. W. Cox	100 00
"	" Rev. J. G. Jones	10 00
"	" Rev. J. P. Fugett	350.00
By Balance on hand.		287 19
Amount expended in 1872-73		\$1,086.60

The Executive Missionary Committee ordered its Secretary to communicate quarterly, in correspondence with a resolution of the Convention, with the Rectors and Missionaries of the Diocese, in reference to the quarterly canonical collections for Missions. This has been done through the columns of the

Parish Churchman every quarter, except the last, when the failure occurred through the mails, which miscarried the Secretary's communication. The committee appointed a convocation to be held in Topeka, and instructed its agents to issue an address to the clergy and laity of the Diocese, through the columns of the Parish Churchman. The appeal was issued on the 15th of June, 1872, and the convocation was held at Grace church, Topeka, on the 10th and 11th of July last. At that convocation the members thereof expressed their judgment that each parish and mission station ought to contribute to Diocesan Missions a sum equal to at least one-tenth of the stipend which it paid its minister. In some instances this judgment has been fulfilled. A second convocation was held at Manhattan, in September following, and a third at Fort Scott, in January, 1873. These convocations may be the means, if well attended and properly sustained, of exciting much persistency and devotion to missions.

Respectfully submitted for the committee.

D. O. KELLOGG, JR.,
Secretary.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS,

_____ Church, _____ (Town or City).
 The Rev. _____, Rector or Minister,
 Families, —; individuals (not included in families), —.
 Baptisms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —.
 Confirmed, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.
 Communicants: Last reported, —; added, —; died or removed, —: present
 number, —.
 Sunday School: Teachers, —; scholars, —.
 Communion alms, \$—.
 Contributions: For objects within the parish (not including salary and
 current expenses), \$ —; for objects without the parish, \$—; total of communion
 alms and contributions, \$—.
 (Remarks embodying anything of interest in the parish).
 N. B.—Under the head of "Contributions," the several objects should be
 specified.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION,

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the impor-
 tance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy
 influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families, and our neighbors,
 do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of
 the parish of _____ Church (name of the city or town), county of
 _____, State of Kansas, and by so doing do adopt the constitution and
 canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,
 and of the Diocese of Kansas.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the Annual Meeting of the Parish (or, in case the
 Parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the Vestry) of _____ Church,
 in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. B., who is a member of the
 said Parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the conven-
 tion of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held
 at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord _____.

(Signed)

_____,
 Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of _____.

Or,

_____, } Wardens.

Or,

_____,
 Minister of _____ Church.

NOTE—The names of all the Delegates may be included in one Certificate.

CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENTS.

To be paid at or before the Convention of 1874 :

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$40.00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	50.00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	10.00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	55.00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia (amount of deficit).....	25.00
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	15.00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	30.00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	60.00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5.00
Christ Church, Salina.....	5.00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5.00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	5.00
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	5.00
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	5.00
St. John's Church, South Leavenworth.....	10.00
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	5.00
Total.....	\$390.00

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1872-73.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia (included above).....	
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth (balance).....	\$5.00
Grace Church, Topeka (balance).....	20.00
St. John's Church, Girard (including \$5 unpaid assessment for 1871-72).....	10.00
St. Peter's Ch., Osage Mission (including unpaid assessment 1871-72).....	10.00
St. Mark's Ch., Baxter Springs, (including unpaid assessment 1871-72).....	10.00
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth (assessment for 1871-72).....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	5.00
Total.....	\$65.00

ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCO- PATE FOR THE YEAR 1873-74.

(Being at the rate of seventy-five cents for each communicant reported in the Journal of 1872).

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$39.75
St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs.....	5.25
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	14.25
Ascension Church, Burlington.....	25.50
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	10.50
Holy Apostles' Church, Ellsworth.....	12.00
St. Andrew's Church, Euporia.....	15.75
St. Thomas' Church, Eureka.....	12.00
Post Chapel, Fort Harker.....	5.25
Post Chapel, Fort Riley.....	6.75
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	36.00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	8.25
Mission at Holden and New Malden.....	9.75
Emmanuel Church, Humboldt.....	18.75
Epiphany Church, Independence.....	9.00
Covenant Church, Junction City.....	27.75
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	112.50
St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	60.00
St. John's Church (South) Leavenworth.....	17.25
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	51.00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	21.00
Christ Mission, Netawaka.....	10.50
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	4.50
St. James' Church, Paola.....	10.50
Christ Church, Salina.....	9.75
Grace Church, Topeka.....	63.00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	9.00
St. John's Church, Wichita.....	7.50
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	29.25
Total.....	\$662.25

OFFICERS OF CONVENTION AND DIOCESE.

BISHOP—Rt. Rev. THOMAS HUBBARD VAIL, D.D., Topeka.

Secretary—Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, Lawrence.

Treasurer—Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, Topeka.

Registrar—Rev. J. MILLS KENDRICK, Leavenworth.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles Reynolds, D.D., president, Fort Riley; Rev. John K. Dunn, secretary, Lawrence; Rev. John Bakewell, Rev. J. N. Lee, Messrs. W. W. Nevison, E. M. Bartholow, W. C. Ransom, J. W. Farnsworth.

Trustee General Theological Seminary—Rev. C. REYNOLDS, D.D.

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

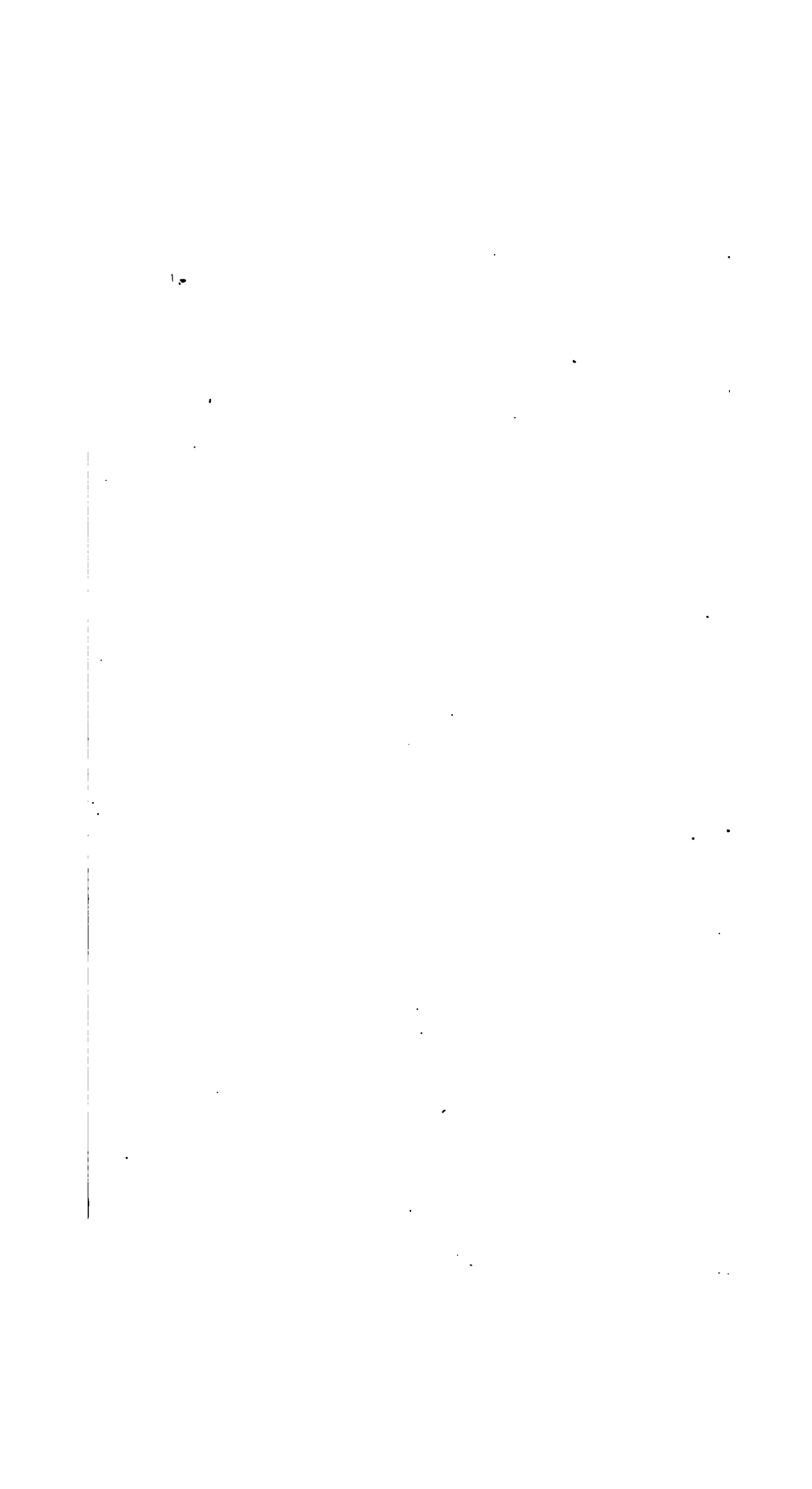
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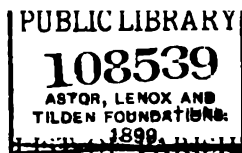
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1899. PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
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PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES.

Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Baxter Springs.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Blue Rapids.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Chetopa.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Epiphany.....	<i>Independence.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
Church of St. John.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Troy.</i>
St. Luke's Church.....	<i>Wamego.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandotte.</i>

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	<i>Ellsworth.</i>
St. Thomas' Church.....	<i>Euaka.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Gunnott.</i>
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	<i>Ottawa.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Parsons.</i>

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Leavenworth.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Riley.</i>

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kansas will be holden in Grace Church, Topeka, on the second Wednesday in September, A. D. 1875.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary.*

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE
DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

- The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D.,** Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Topeka.
- The Rev. Henry S. Attwater,** missionary at Cedarvale, Howard county.
- The Rev. John Bakewell,** rector of Grace Church, Topeka.
- The Rev. Archibald Beatty,** missionary at Independence and points adjacent. (P. O. Independence.)
- The Rev. Thomas Betts,** rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.
- The Rev. C. E. Butler,** chaplain and bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, and missionary at Monmouth.
- The Rev. Thomas G. Carver, D. D.,** rector of Trinity church, Atchison.
- The Rev. Daniel W. Cox,** rector of St. Andrew's church, Euporia.
- The Rev. John K. Dunn,** rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.
- The Rev. George D. Henderson,** chaplain U. S. Navy, on duty, Atlantic Squadron. (P. O., Portsmouth, N. H.)
- The Rev. William H. Hickey,** missionary in Clay county.
- The Rev. Levi L. Holden,** rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington.
- The Rev. Charles Holmes,** deacon, missionary in Marshall county. (P. O. Blue Rapids, Marshall county.)
- The Rev. James Hervey Lee,** professor in the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, and missionary at large. (P. O. Manhattan.)
- The Rev. John Newton Lee,** rector of the Church of St. John, Leavenworth.
- The Rev. B. F. Mower,** missionary at Parsons and Osage Mission.
- The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D.,** post chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Riley.
- The Rev. Thomas Arthur Taggart,** deacon, missionary. (P. O. Topeka.)
- The Rev. George Turner,** missionary on the Central Branch U. P. R. R. (P. O., Hiawatha, Brown county.)
- The Rev. William Vaux,** post chaplain U. S. Army, Benicia Barracks, California.
- The Rev. John Woart,** post chaplain U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT BUT NOT A VOTE.

- The Rev. J. P. Fugett,** Jefferson City, Missouri.
- The Rev. John Mills Kendrick,** temporarily officiating at Columbus, Ohio.
- The Rev. Rodney S. Nash,** Springfield, Missouri.
- The Rev. James C. Pratt,** Boulder, Colorado.
- The Rev. Thompson L. Smith,** Lexington, Missouri.
- The Rev. C. Stewart,** Memphis, Tennessee.
- The Rev. A. S. Teutschel,** Wichita.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

- The Rev. T. B. Dooley,** of Michigan, missionary at Salina.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- Allen County*—Emmanuel mission, Humboldt.
- Anderson County*—Grace mission, Garnett.
- Atchison County*—Trinity church, Atchison, Rev. T. G. Carver, D. D., rector : Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
- Bourbon County*—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector.
- Brown County*—Calvary mission, Hiawatha, ———, missionary.
- Cherokee County*—Mission at Columbus and Baxter Springs.
- Cloud County*—Clyde, ———, missionary : Concordia, ———, missionary.
- Coffey County*—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. J. L. Holden, rector.
- Crawford County*—St. John's church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector.
- Davis County*—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., rector.
- Doniphan County*—Trinity church, Troy, mission at Wathena, ———, missionary : mission at White Cloud.
- Douglas County*—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. John K. Dunn, rector.
- Ellsworth County*—Mission of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, ———, missionary.
- Franklin County*—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, ———, missionary.
- Greenwood County*—Christ church, Eureka, ———, missionary.
- Howard County*—Cedar Vale, Rev. H. S. Attwater, missionary.
- Jackson County*—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
- Jefferson County*—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, Rev. T. A. Taggart, missionary.
- Johnson County*—Olathe, ———, missionary.
- Labette County*—Parsons, Rev. B. F. Mower, missionary.
- Leavenworth County*—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City, Rev. John Woart, officiating : Church of St. John, South Leavenworth, Rev. J. N. Lee, rector : Fort Leavenworth, Rev. John Woart, chaplain, U. S. A. ; mission, Reno, Rev. J. K. Dunn, missionary.
- Lyon County*—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, Rev. C. E. Butler, missionary.
- Miami County*—St. James' mission, Paola, ———, missionary.
- Marshall County*—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary : mission, Barret's school-house, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary : Zion Church, Centre township, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary.
- Montgomery County*—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. A. Beatty, missionary : missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Thayer, Rev. A. Beatty, missionary.
- Nebraska County*—Wetmore and Seneca, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
- Neosho County*—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, Rev. B. F. Mower, missionary.
- Pottawatomie County*—St. Luke's mission, Wamego, ———, missionary.
- Riley County*—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, ———, rector : Fort Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, chaplain, U. S. A.
- Saline County*—Christ church, Salina, Rev. T. B. Dooley, missionary.
- Sedgwick County*—St. John's church, Wichita, ———, missionary.
- Shawnee County*—Grace church, Topeka, Rev. J. Bakewell, rector : Emmanuel mission, Monmouth, Rev. C. E. Butler, missionary.
- Wyandotte County*—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, Rev. Thomas Betts, rector.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

GRACE CHURCH, TOPEKA, KANSAS,)
WEDNESDAY, Sept. 9, 1874.)

This being the time and place for holding the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy of the Diocese and lay-delegates of the parishes assembled in Grace church at half-past ten o'clock A. M. for the celebration of Divine worship.

The church building was first consecrated to the worship and service of Almighty God, according to the form of consecration in the Book of Common Prayer; after which, the usual opening services of the Convention were proceeded with.

Morning prayer was said to the lessons by the Rev. A. Beatty; the lessons were read by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the Rev. L. L. Holden saying from the Creed.

The Bishop took the Ante-Communion Service, the Rev. T. G. Carver, D. D., reading the Epistle, and the Rev. J. Bakewell the Gospel.

The Rev. John K. Dunn preached from St. Peter: "Be ye all of one mind."

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Revs. George Turner and D. W. Cox.

The religious services being concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order. The Secretary of the last Convention, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, as required by Canon I, when those present answered to their names.

The parishes were then called in order and the certificates of lay-delegates were laid upon the Secretary's table, when they were referred to the following Committee on Qualifications, viz: the Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and T. H. Annable.

The Convention took a recess till 3:30 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 9, 1874, 3:30 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications reported as follows:

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that they have carefully examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons named therein are, as reported by the Bishop, canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention, in accordance with section 2, of article III, of the Constitution of this Diocese:

CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.*

The Rev. H. S. Atwater, missionary at Cedar Vale.

The Rev. John Bakewell, rector of Grace church, Topeka.*

The Rev. A. Beatty, rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Independence, and missionary at points adjacent.*

The Rev. C. E. Butler, chaplain and bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka.*

The Rev. John K. Dunn, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.*

The Rev. George D. Henderson, chaplain U. S. Navy.

The Rev. William H. Hickey, missionary at Wakefield.*

The Rev. L. L. Holden, rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington.*

The Rev. Charles Holmes, missionary at Blue Rapids and points adjacent.

The Rev. J. H. Lee, professor in the Agricultural College at Manhattan.*

The Rev. John H. Lee, rector of St. John's church, Leavenworth.*

The Rev. B. F. Mower, missionary at Parsons, and points adjacent.

The Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., post chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Riley.*

The Rev. T. A. Taggart, deacon, missionary at Oskaloosa.*

The Rev. George Turner, missionary on Central Branch, U. P. R. R.*

The Rev. William Vaux, post chaplain, U. S. A.

The Rev. John Wourt, post chaplain U. S. A.

*NOTE.—Of the persons named in the report as entitled to seats in the Convention, those who appeared and took part are marked *.

The following clergymen are each entitled to a seat, but not a vote :

The Rev. J. Preston Fugett.

The Rev. J. M. Kendrick, officiating at Columbus, Ohio.

The Rev. R. S. Nash.

The Rev. James C. Pratt.

The Rev. Thompson L. Smith.

The Rev. C. Stewart.

The Rev. A. S. Teutschel.

LAITY.

We also find that the following named persons are each entitled to a seat and a vote as lay-delegates from their respective parishes :

Trinity Church, Atchison--A. G. Otis,* J. H. Stringfellow, M. D.,* E. C. Sherer.*

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan--Ambrose Todd,* William Lee.

Christ Church, Salina--George C. Roberts, Frank Goodenough, R. T. Watson.

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth--Charles D. Bush,* N. H. Lyons.*

Church of the Ascension, Burlington--B. L. Kingsbury, H. G. Beatty, O. Kent.

Trinity Church, Lawrence--J. C. Horton,* E. M. Bartholow,* W. C. Ransom.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott--T. H. Annable,* Theron Higby.

Grace Church, Topeka--J. W. Farnsworth,* F. W. Giles,* S. W. Stone.*

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte--Frederick Speck, M. D.*

St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth--Ortha Williams, W. W. Wright, J. A. Halderman.

St. John's Church, Leavenworth--H. M. Moore, George Brown, Jeremiah Clark.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES REYNOLDS,

AMBROSE TODD,

T. H. ANNABLE,

Committee on Qualifications.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. John K. Dunn was unanimously re-elected ; and appointed the Rev. D. W. Cox as his assistant.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees, viz :

On Admission of New Parishes--Revs. L. L. Holden and George Turner, and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and J. H. Stringfellow, M. D.

On Constitution and Canons—Revs. C. Reynolds, D. D., J. Bakewell and J. H. Lee, and Messrs. J. C. Horton and T. H. Annable.

On Diocesan Institutions—Revs. A. Beatty, T. G. Carver, D. D., and C. E. Butler, and Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth and E. M. Bartholow.

On Unfinished Business—Revs. C. E. Butler, and Messrs. Chas. D. Bush, and C. E. Sherer.

On Finance—Rev. J. N. Lee, and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and S. W. Stone.

The application and papers of St. John's parish, Wakefield, were received and referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, which reported that the papers of said parish were defective, on account of there being no evidence of incorporation, and they therefore withheld the usual recommendation of admission. On motion, James Young, lay-delegate from said parish, was admitted to an honorary seat in the convention.

The treasurer asked further time to report.

The Rev. J. N. Lee, in behalf of the registrar, asked further time to report.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, in behalf of the special committee continued at the last Convention, (see Journal of 1873, p. 17,) asked further time to report.

The Rev. J. N. Lee presented the following report for the registrar :

REPORT of the Registrar of the Diocese for the Conventional year 1873-4.

The registrar reports the following addition of documents during the year :

No. 30. The Diocesan Record, vol. 1, eleven numbers.

No. 31. Journal of the General Convention of 1871.

No. 32. Journal of the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.

The registrar suggests that an arrangement be made, if possible, to deposit the documents under his charge in the Theological Seminary building at Topeka, as their quantity has become considerable, and their transportation from place to place, with changes of registrar, will be inconvenient and expensive. These documents are now deposited in the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, subject to the order of the registrar of the Diocese.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. KENDRICK, *Registrar.*

Diocese of Kansas, Sept. 9, 1874.

The Standing Committee reported as follows :

The Standing Committee has held two meetings since the last Diocesan Convention. The first meeting was held at Topeka, July 1st, 1873, at which the committee organized by electing the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., president, and the Rev. J. K. Dunn, secretary. Mr. J. Calcott Pratt, a student in the Theological Seminary of Virginia, was recommended to the Bishop for ordination to deacon's orders, and consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Benjamin Paddock, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Massachusetts. The committee approved bills for printing Convention Journal, Address and Charge of the year 1873; also bill for blank notices for the secretary. The second meeting was held at Lawrence, September, 1873, when the committee consented to the consecration of the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, D. D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of North Carolina. The committee also met subsequently at Topeka, but papers necessary for their action not having arrived, did not organize, and no meeting was held. It has been found very difficult to obtain a quorum for meetings on account of the lay members of the committee being divided between Lawrence and Topeka, and the committee therefore recommend that hereafter all the lay members be chosen from one place of residence.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES REYNOLDS, *President*.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary*.

On motion it was

Resolved, That this Convention recommend that hereafter all the lay members of the Standing Committee be chosen from the City of Topeka.

The Bishop presented the financial report of the Executive Missionary Committee. (Appendix E.)

The Bishop reported verbally for the trustees of diocesan institutions.

The Rev. A. Beatty, for the Committee of Visitors and Examiners of Bethany College, reported as follows :

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, respectfully report that they have attended the various examinations of the college, and find the standard of instruction attaining a higher degree of excellence each year. The examinations showed great care and thoroughness in preparation, and the essays gave evidence of being carefully written and the thoughts were clearly expressed.

We noticed especially a marked improvement in the departments of music and painting. The classes in geometry and Latin, as usual, attested their proficiency in these studies by their accurate demonstrations and clear analyses. The whole tone of the exercises was of a high order, and the atmosphere of the college that of a refined Christian home.

The committee heartily recommend this institution to the support of the Diocese.

A. BEATTY,

T. G. CARVER,

Committee.

The Rev. A. Beatty, for the Committee on Diocesan Institutions, presented the following report :

The Committee on Diocesan Institutions respectfully report that the College of the Sisters of Bethany is, by its charter, a diocesan institution, although not under the control of the Convention. It has been very successful during the past year, having fully paid its expenses. It is now generally and favorably known throughout the State, and is regarded as an institution of very high rank for the education of girls. The committee earnestly recommend its advantages to the people of Kansas.

A theological school has been organized under the direction of the Bishop of the Diocese, and placed in charge of a board of trustees. The property known as the "Old Seminary Building" has passed into the hands of this board, and will hereafter be used as a theological school.

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the committee,

A. BEATTY, *Chairman.*

The parochial reports were then presented to the Bishop. (Appendix C.)

Miscellaneous business being now in order, on motion it was

Resolved, That a committee of two clergymen and one layman be appointed to draw up a report on the state of the church, as directed by canon law of the general church and by canon XI of this Diocese.

The chair appointed as such committee the Rev. C. E. Butler, the Rev. John Bakewell and Mr. F. W. Giles.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the question of the continuance and publication of the "Diocesan Record," and to report on the same to this Convention.

The chair appointed as such committee the Rev. J. N. Lee, the Rev. C. E. Butler, and Mr. J. W. Farnsworth.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds presented certain amendments to section 2 of article X of the Constitution, which were referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

Amendments to section 1, article II, of the Constitution, were also presented and referred to the same committee.

On motion, the Convention took a recess till 7:30 o'clock this evening.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 9, 7:30 o'clock P. M.

The Convention reassembled.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That visiting clergy from other Dioceses, clergymen engaged in missionary work in this Diocese, (although not canonically resident,) and candidates for orders, be invited to seats in this Convention.

Whereupon the Rev. Henry Safford, of the Diocese of Michigan, the Rev. Thomas Betts, of the Diocese of Missouri, and the Rev. T. B. Dooley, of the Diocese of Michigan, now doing missionary duty in this Diocese, took seats in the Convention.

The Bishop read his Annual Address. (Appendix A.)

On motion, so much of the Bishop's address as has reference to a day of humiliation and prayer, was referred to a committee of three. The chair appointed as such committee the Revs. L. L. Holden and J. H. Lee, and Mr. Ambrose Todd.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's address as has reference to the present juncture in our church, was referred to a committee of three. The chair appointed as such committee the Revs. T. G. Carver, D. D., and D. W. Cox, and Mr. A. G. Otis.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's address as has reference to the insurance of churches and church property, was referred to a committee of three. The chair appointed, as such committee, Messrs. E. M. Bartholow, S. W. Stone and T. H. Annable.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's address as has reference to the decease of the Hon. William H. Canfield, of this Diocese, and of Mr. John Bohlen, of Philadelphia, was referred to the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, as a committee, to prepare a suitable minute on the same. The Convention adjourned to 9:30 A. M. to-morrow.

THURSDAY, September 10, 1874, 9:30 o'clock A. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

Morning prayer was read by the Revs. Thomas Betts and T. B. Dooley.

At the close of the Morning prayer the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Qualifications presented an additional report.

The roll was then called.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that, on examination of the journal of the last Convention, they find the following item requiring fur-

ther consideration: "A proposition to make the amount of representation of a parish depend on the number of its communicants, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons." (*See Journal of 1873, p. 17.*)

C. E. BUTLER.

C. D. BUSH.

E. E. SHERER.

The Committee on the "Diocesan Record" presented the following report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted, and the blank therein filled with the name of the Rev. J. N. Lee.

Your Committee appointed on the subject of the "Diocesan Record," beg leave to recommend the following action for the adoption of the convention, viz:

Resolved, That we take pleasure in hereby giving expression to the hearty thanks of the clergy and laity of this Diocese to the Rev. J. M. Kendrick for his self-denying labors, ability and persevering effort in establishing and sustaining, during the year past, a monthly church paper for this Diocese, and that his valuable and successful work herein will not be forgotten.

Resolved, That we deem it due to the enterprise of our brother, as well as to the interests of the Diocese, that the paper alluded to be sustained.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Convention, the Executive Missionary Committee are justified in making a reasonable appropriation from their funds towards this purpose.

Resolved, That to tide over the hard times now upon us, it is advisable to publish, at a reduced subscription, a quarterly paper during the year following, and that, while it cannot assume any financial responsibility, the Convention would recommend that ——— be appointed to take temporary charge of the enterprise.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. N. LEE.

C. E. BUTLER.

J. W. FARNSWORTH.

On motion, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and are hereby presented to the Rev. J. M. Kendrick for the faithful discharge of his duties as registrar.

A majority of the Special Committee on lay-representation in the Diocesan Convention (*see Journal of 1873, p. 17,*) presented their report. (Appendix B.)

A minority of the same committee also presented a report. (Appendix B.)

The hour of eleven o'clock having now arrived, elections, being in order, were proceeded with.

On motion, the Rev. John Bakewell was unanimously re-elected treasurer, and the Rev. C. E. Butler was unanimously elected registrar of the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders for clerical and lay deputies to the General Convention, the clergy and laity dividing into separate houses. Pending the election, the Convention took a recess till 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

THURSDAY, Sept. 10, 1874, 2:30 o'clock P. M.

The Convention re-assembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The election for deputies to the General Convention being resumed, the clergy chose and the laity approved, in their separate houses, the following as clerical deputies: The Revs. Charles Reynolds, D. D., John Bakewell, J. K. Dunn and A. Beatty.

The following persons were also in like manner chosen and approved as supplementary clerical deputies: The Revs. L. L. Holden, J. N. Lee, T. G. Carver and C. E. Butler.

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den, and Messrs. S. W. Stone, George Geiger, J. W. Farnsworth and C. W. Babcock.

On motion, the report was adopted and the above-named persons declared duly elected.

The Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., was nominated for trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion, the chair appointed the Revs. L. L. Holden and A. Beatty, and Mr. J. C. Horton, a committee to make nominations for Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

The committee reported the following names for said Visitors and Examiners: The Revs. A. Beatty, J. H. Lee, T. G. Carver, D. D., and D. W. Cox, and Messrs. C. C. Kellam, J. H. Stringfellow, W. C. Ransom and L. J. Hopkins. On motion, the report was adopted and the above named persons declared duly elected Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, at Topeka.

The treasurer presented his report. (See Appendix D.)

On motion it was

Resolved, That an assessment for the support of the Episcopate, for the ensuing year, be made upon the parishes at the rate of fifty cents per communicant, and that the Secretary be instructed to make out an assessment list in accordance herewith, and publish the same in the journal.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted, the amendments to the Constitution therein contained being approved and lying over a year for final action, according to the provision for constitutional amendments :

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report that they recommend that section 1, article II, of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows :

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday in June annually, at such place as the preceding annual Convention shall have appointed.

They also recommend the following change in section 2, of article X, of the Constitution. Strike out the words "at least," in the fourth line of section 2, and substitute the words "if possible," C. REYNOLDS, *Chairman*.

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as has reference to the present juncture in the church,

presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted unanimously :

WHEREAS, The party, known in our church as "Advanced Ritualists," by persistent and disloyal efforts to re-introduce into this church the distinctive errors of Romanism which our illustrious Reformers threw out and protested against at the time of the Reformation, has brought upon us all the evils, present and prospective, of the worst and most perilous crisis which has occurred in the history of our branch of the church of Christ: therefore

Resolved, First: That all other means of warding off this grievous evil having been tried and failed, it has become a necessity of existence that such action be taken by the ensuing General Convention as will relieve the church of her present peril.

Resolved, Second: That the deputies elected to the General Convention by this Diocese be, and they are hereby instructed and required, whilst maintaining the comprehensive catholicity of our beloved church in relation to the great historical parties which legitimately belong to her, to use their utmost efforts to secure the adoption of such legislation by the General Convention as shall render any clergyman who teaches, preaches or practices any of the distinctive errors of Romanism, such as eucharistic adoration, auricular confession, purgatory, etc., in any cure belonging to this church, forthwith amenable to discipline therefor, by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, as for any other heretical departure from the truth, as this church has received the same.

THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D.

DANIEL W. COX.

A. G. OTIS.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the treasurer be authorized to pay to the Bishop, on account of salary, one hundred and twenty-five dollars out of the Convention and Assessment Fund for the ensuing year, if it be found possible to do so.

The committee to whom so much of the Bishop's address as relates to a day of humiliation and prayer was referred, presented the following report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

Your committee beg leave to make the following report :

WHEREAS, Our State has been lately visited with great calamity and distress by drought and the ravages of the locusts, therefore

Resolved, That in this visitation we recognize the hand of God, and feel that He is reminding us, in a most impressive manner, of our sins, and of the necessity of humbling ourselves before Him in confession and repentance.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that, in accordance with the Bishop's suggestions, it is highly proper that a day of public humiliation and prayer should be appointed by the Bishop, at such time as he deems expedient, on which our people may meet at their usual places of worship, to confess our sins to God, and to ask His forgiveness and the removal of His chastening hand.

Resolved, That he be requested to invite all Christians, of every name within the State, to unite with us in similar services on that day.

L. L. HOLDEN.

J. H. LEE.

A. TODD.

(See Appendix F.)

Committee.

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as has reference to the insuring of churches and church property, presented the following report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted :

Your committee beg leave to report that,

WHEREAS, It is of the utmost importance that all property belonging to this church be kept constantly insured to the full proportion of its value as accepted by good insurance companies, therefore

Resolved, That all rectors of parishes, vestries, and other persons having control of churches, chapels, rectories, school and other church buildings, be earnestly requested to keep the same constantly insured

E. M. BARTHOLOW.

S. W. STONE.

Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the decease of the Hon. W. H. Canfield and Mr. John Bohlen, reported the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the convention place upon its minutes its deep felt sorrow at the death of the Hon. William H. Canfield, one of our most honored and faithful laymen, and for several years a valued member of this Convention, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of the deceased.

The committee reported, also, the following preamble and minute, which were likewise unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, It has pleased Him "who doeth all things well" to take to Himself an honored son of the church, and a most liberal patron of this Diocese, Mr. John Bohlen, whose ear was ever open to our needs, and whose hand was ever liberal to our wants, therefore be it

Resolved, That we record upon this day's journal the following

MINUTE.

In the death of Mr. John Bohlen, of Philadelphia, the Diocese of Kansas has lost a dear friend, one who sympathized with us in our struggles, and was ever ready to lighten us of our burdens. A man of pure life, of evangelical principles and great benevolence, has been called home. May the mantle of this devoted friend and brother fall upon others of the affluent sons and daughters of the church.

Resolved, That our Bishop be asked to convey to the stricken family of our departed friend the above minute, together with the expression of our sincere and heart felt sympathy.

On motion the Convention took a recess till 7 o'clock this evening.

THURSDAY EVENING, September 10, 1874, 7 o'clock.

The Convention reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The Bishop presented the following communication from the Board of Trustees of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, in response to the resolution of last year. (See Journal of 1873, p. 19.)

At a meeting of the Trustees of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, held at the college building, in the City of Topeka, on the 17th day of June, 1874, were had the following proceedings :

F. W. Giles presented the following preamble and resolutions, namely :

WHEREAS, The Diocesan Convention, at its session of 1873, did adopt a resolution approving the action of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Female Seminary, in reference to the change in the corporate existence and name of said institution, and also in relinquishment to the Board of Trustees of said newly organized institution, of all the rights and interests which it had, or might have had, and enjoyed, in the property, or in the management and control of said corporation, or institution ; therefore

Resolved, By the Board of Trustees of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, that it gratefully acknowledges the expressions of approval and confidence by the Convention ; that it accepts the said transfer and conveyance, and, with a lively sense of the increased responsibility confided to it, will try to exercise its best abilities to preserve the proprietary interests of the college and maintain its educational and religious status, to the approval of the Diocese and the glory of God.

Resolved, That the President of this Board be appointed a committee to communicate to the next Diocesan Convention the foregoing resolution.

Which said preamble and resolutions, on motion of Mr. S. S. Prouty, were duly adopted by the Board, and now remain of record with its other proceedings."

[Attest,]

F. W. GILES,

Secretary of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

The majority and minority reports of the Special Committee on the ratio of lay-representation in the Convention, were taken up and discussed. (See Journal of 1873, p. 17, and Journal of 1872, p. 13.)

The hour of 8 o'clock having arrived, on motion the Convention took a recess till 9:30 o'clock, in order to hold a missionary meeting, of which notice had been previously given.

A missionary meeting was then held, at which addresses were made by the Revs. A. Beatty, George Turner and J. N. Lee, and Messrs. J. C. Horton and A. G. Otis.

At the close of the missionary meeting, the Convention was called to order and discussion resumed on the last subject under consideration.

It was moved and seconded that the report of the minority be adopted, pending which motion it was moved that the whole subject be indefinitely postponed.

The division by orders, and the ayes and noes being called for, the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost, by the following vote:

CLERGY.

AYE—Revs. A. Beatty, C. E. Butler, D. W. Cox, W. H. Hickey, J. H. Lee, J. N. Lee, C. Reynolds, D. D., and George Turner—9.

NAY—Rev. J. Bakewell, J. K. Dunn—2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING—Rev. T. G. Carver, D. D., T. A. Taggart—2.

LAITY.

PARISHES VOTING AYE—1.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan—Aye: Ambrose Todd. Nay: None. Absent or not voting: C. C. Kenyon, Wm. Lee.

PARISHES VOTING NAY—3.

Trinity Church, Atchison—Aye: None. Nay: A. G. Otis, J. H. Stringtellow, E. C. Sherer.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott—Aye: None. Nay: T. H. Annable. Absent or not voting: Thomas Higby.

Grace Church, Topeka—Aye: F. W. Gile. Nay: J. W. Farnsworth, S. W. Stone.

PARISHES DIVIDED—2.

Emmanuel's Church, Monmouth—Aye: N. H. Lyons. Nay: Charles D. Bush.

Trinity Church, Lawrence—Aye: E. M. Bartholow. Nay: J. C. Horton.

It was then moved and seconded that further consideration of the whole question be postponed to the next Convention, which motion was carried *nem. con.*

It was also ordered that the majority and minority reports be printed as an appendix to the Journal. (Appendix B.)

On motion the Convention adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, September 11, 1874. 9 o'clock.

The Convention reassembled.

Morning prayer was said by the Revs. J. N. Lee and H. Safford, after which the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

On motion the reading of the minutes and the calling of the roll were dispensed with.

The Finance Committee presented their report, which was modified and adopted as follows :

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report : We find on examination that the report of the Treasurer of the Convention is correct.

We regret to note a deficit in the account of several parishes with the Convention, amounting in the aggregate, for 1873-74, to \$119, and for 1872-73 and previously, to \$65, making a total deficit of \$184. A balance remains in the hands of the Treasurer in favor of the Convention, amounting to \$214.

We recommend to this Convention for its action the following resolution :

Resolved, That the parishes of the diocese be assessed for the year 1874-75 for Conventional purposes, the following sums respectively, viz :

Trinity church, Atchison.....	\$45
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	45
St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.....	5
Trinity church, Lawrence.....	45
St. Andrew's church, Burlington.....	10
St. Andrew's church, Emporia.....	5
St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.....	30
Grace church, Topeka.....	45
St. Paul's church, Manhattan.....	20
Christ church, Salina.....	5
Emmanuel church, Monmouth.....	5
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	10
St. John's church, Leavenworth.....	10
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	5

Total assessment.....\$285

We also find the following arrearages due the Convention :

	FOR 1873-74.	FOR 1872-73, AND PREVIOUSLY.	TOTAL ARREAGES.
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	\$50	85	\$55
St. John's church, Girard.....	5	10	15
St. Andrew's church, Emporia.....	10	.....	10
Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	4	.....	4
St. Luke's church, Wamego.....	5	.....	5
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25	.....	25
St. Peter's church, Osage Mission.....	5	10	15
St. Mark's church, Baxter Springs.....	5	10	15
St. Mark's church, Blue Rapids.....	5	5	10
St. Paul's church, Chetopa.....	5	.....	5
Grace church, Topeka.....	.....	20	20
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	.....	5	5
Total deficit.....	\$119	\$65	\$184

The committee would further recommend that the following arrearages due this Convention be cancelled by the Treasurer of the Convention, viz :

St. John's church, Girard.....	\$15
St. Peter's church, Osage Mission.....	15
St. Mark's church, Baxter Springs.....	15
St. Mark's church, Blue Rapids.....	10
St. Paul's church, Chetopa.....	5
Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	5

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. N. LEE,

S. W. STONE,

AMBROSE TODD,

Committee on Finance.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held at Grace church, Topeka.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the rector, wardens and vestry, and to all the members of Grace parish in this city, for their kind hospitalities during the session; and also to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad, for reducing its rates of fare to delegates in attendance.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be a committee to publish five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The minutes of yesterday and this morning were read and approved, and the business of the Convention being concluded, after devotional exercises led by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL., *President*.

JOHN K. DUNN, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

I can hardly realize, my brethren, that this is the tenth annual Diocesan Convention in which I have presided, and that this is the tenth Annual Address which I have prepared for you. Time has moved on rapidly with us, yet has enabled us to make some record of good accomplished. These have been years of blessing, as well as of trial and discipline, and we have been taught, by all its experiences, to trust in God, "the protector of all that trust in Him, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy," and to still pour forth our prayer that He will "increase and multiply upon us His mercy, that, He being our Ruler and Guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal."

In looking back over this tract of time, we have one great cause of gratitude in the fact that the health of our clergy has so generally been good. Only one of our number—the ever-lamented N. O. Preston, and this in 1866—has been removed by death since our Diocese commenced its history.

We are thankful, too, that during all these years death has made but few inroads among our laity, and most of these beloved brethren, whom we have been accustomed to meet here, are still spared to us.

Yet one has left us, in the course of the past year, whose place it will be hard to fill—the Hon. William Canfield, of Junction City. Judge Canfield was emphatically a most valuable man, in his place on the bench, in society, and especially in the Church. Of great deliberation, of unusually clear judgment, of excellent learning, of a lovely Christian spirit, he was almost indispensable in our counsels; while his devotion to the Church, and his earnest love for her great Head, gave a sincerity and an enthusiasm to his influence which made it felt everywhere for good.

His removal inflicts a severe loss upon this young Diocese, teaching us to rely, with humility and faith, upon the Infinite Source of all strength and grace, rather than upon the human instruments whom He may, from time to time, raise up for our help.

I have made reference to the fact of this decennial, as we have reached it, but with no intention of summarizing the work in this period. The time for that has not yet quite arrived, and we must defer our review a little longer.

Our last Convention, on the 11th and 12th days of May, 1873, at the Church of St. Paul, in Leavenworth, was very pleasant, and some important business, bearing upon the future interests of the Diocese, was accomplished.

On Saturday, May 24th, directly following the Convention, I started for the Southwest, along the line of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad, accompanied by a brother from the East, then spending a few weeks in the Diocese—the Rev. J. P. Hubbard.

Sunday, May 25th, was spent in Wichita, Sedgwick County. In the morning, I held service, and preached in the hall which was used and fitted for our services; the Rev. Mr. Teutschel, our Missionary at Wichita, assisting me. A violent thunder-storm, which flooded the country, prevented the service which had been appointed for the evening. The sickness of my friend hindered his officiating here, but, as to the importance of the point, his observation corroborated my own judgment. The whole of Monday and the forenoon of Tuesday were occupied in visiting the people.

On Tuesday afternoon, we went on to Hutchinson, in Reno County, where we held service in the evening, in the new Court House, not quite completed, ours being the first religious service held in the new building. The attendance was large. My friend delivered an earnest and practical discourse, and I followed him with an address. This point ought to be secured for a Mission.

On the next day, we started for Fort Dodge and Dodge City, intending to spend a part of the day there, and to hold service;

but finding, on our arrival, that the Paymaster's car had just preceded us, and that several of the officers of the Post were accompanying the Quartermaster General on an excursion farther westward, we concluded the time to be not favorable to our visit. Accordingly, we went on to Sargent, at the end of the road, and on the border of Colorado, some 450 miles distant from Atchison. Everywhere, along the line of this road, new settlements were springing up, and openings for mission work were constantly presented. Then, as so often, we felt the pain of our poverty, both as to men and as to money for their support.

On the next day, Thursday, we returned as far as to Larned City, where I stopped, while my friend went on to Hutchinson. That afternoon, I visited the Fort, some six miles distant, and called on our few families stationed there. My welcome there, as always at these posts on our extended frontier, was most cordial. Returning, before night, to Larned City, I held a service in the evening in the sitting-room of the railroad depot, the only room in the new settlement where a congregation could be assembled. We used the Mission Services, which I carry with me on such visits, and, although there was but one family of our own people present, all, led by that family and by me, took hold earnestly, and with good responses, and listened attentively to a familiar exposition of the Word. "On these occasions, and in such circumstances, old prejudices die, and there would be no difficulty in establishing congregations, if we only had the ministers, and the means of supporting them.

On Friday morning, we retraced our steps to Newton, Mr. H. joining me at Hutchinson; and, after visiting the people in the afternoon, we held an evening service, in a room not long before used as a drinking saloon, and now used as a theatre, and in which, as the only convenient place, religious services are held, on the occasional visits of a clergyman. We were met by a full congregation, and had good singing and good responses. Several of our people are here, and anxious for regular ministrations. This point might be connected with Wichita, only thirty miles distant.

But the old Egyptian problem meets us here, as in so many:

other such openings,—how to make bricks without straw. We are thus compelled to lose the most promising opportunities, and there is no help for it. Our successors must wait through a half century to recover what we might easily secure to-day, if we had the means.

Here I left my friend, and on Saturday went on to Cottonwood Falls, where I preached on Sunday, June 1st, in the Congregational Church. Our little Mission Services are the greatest aids at such times. In and near to this town are several of our people.

I reached home on Tuesday morning, after traveling all the night.

On such a trip one gets an idea of the wonderful rush of immigration into the southern portions of this State, and into the farther west, on the same parallel of latitude. When I reached Newton, I struck the great trail westward, running to the Arkansas River and on the northern bank of that river. The railroad is in sight of this trail, which runs parallel to the road, almost all the way. Imagine a line of emigrant wagons, these white-topped schooners of the prairie, extending westward from the Mississippi River, along the whole southern border of Missouri 200 miles, to Eastern Kansas, thence through the entire 400 miles of Kansas still westward, thence 200 miles further westward through Southern Colorado to Pueblo and the Rocky Mountains,—sometimes single wagons, every wagon with a family, sometimes caravans of such wagons, from two to forty in a caravan,—some of these wagons or caravans, within a few miles of each other along this whole route of 800 miles, dropping off, out of the line, every day, as the settlers locate themselves along the trail, spreading out to the north and to the south of it, from ten to fifty miles on either side: and yet this long line of emigrants always replenished from the East, and, like an endless chain, never ceasing to move on westward, apparently unbroken, always emptying itself, yet always full, through the seven months of emigration. What a population, of thousands and tens of thousands, is thus filling in upon these far-stretching fertile plains! And what a duty, and what an opportunity, for the Church to go on with

them, and to settle with them in their new homes, and to save **them** for herself and for Christ her Lord! How sad, and how dreary, and how terrible, the conviction that we cannot do this for the lack of the means. Thank God! these multitudes are not all left to fall into infidelity and heathenism. For, what we cannot do, other Christians will do; and the Presbyterians, the Congregationalists, the Methodists, and others, who believe in Jesus, follow them, and gather them for Christ our Lord. And yet what an opportunity *we* are losing.

On Sunday, June 15th, I preached, in the morning, in Grace Church, Topeka, and confirmed six (6) persons. In the evening, I preached, in the College Chapel, the Baccalaureate Sermon, preparatory to the commencement of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, to occur this week.

On Monday and Tuesday, I attended the examinations of the College, and on Wednesday presided at the Commencement. The College is, so far, a success. It has been self-supporting this year, and has accumulated a small balance in its favor. It gives promise of extended usefulness.

On the next day, Thursday, June 19th, I went to Leavenworth, and in the evening attended the annual exhibition at Maplewood Seminary, at the close of which I solemnized a marriage, in which one of the graduates was a party in the interesting rite.

Sunday, June 22d, I spent in Atchison, where I preached twice, confirming in the morning three (3) persons, and in the evening one (1) other.

Sunday, July 6th, I spent at Lawrence, preaching, and confirming two (2) persons in the morning.

In the course of this summer I visited several other points, but administered no further confirmations: being occupied chiefly with correspondence, and with the superintendence of extensive repairs in the Old Seminary Building, to the amount of some \$2,500, and with important improvements about the college grounds.

On the 23d of July, by direction of the physician in Philadelphia, I was compelled to give up one remaining appointment, in

order to hurry to the East, to take my little invalid boy, ¹ was there, to the seaboard, for the benefit of his failing health. I thank God that His blessing rested upon the effort.

During an absence of some five weeks at the East, my ⁵ days were all occupied in behalf of our Diocese, and our Institutions, in different churches. On the 29th of August I started again for home, reaching Topeka on Wednesday, September 3.

The month of September was devoted to the college. The Rev. J. N. Lee, so long its efficient principal, and, after the reorganization of the institution, its president associate, had resigned the charge, and about this time removed to leave worth to enter upon the rectorship of St. John's church, on the south side of that city. This church had grown from the St. John's mission, inaugurated some two years before by the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, rector of the Church of St. Paul, into a promising and independent parish. Under his able and energetic rectorship, the parish is daily gaining strength and stability, a what seemed then to be an experiment, has become, I think, permanent success.

In October I completed the appointment which had been interrupted by my sudden departure for the East in the June previous.

On Sunday, October 10th, I was at Hays City, two hundred and eighty-five miles west on the K. P. R. R. In the morning I preached in the city, in the new large school building, now then quite finished, the main school room having been fitted up for the occasion, where I held the first service in the building. In the afternoon, at the same place, I baptized one (1) infant and confirmed one (1) person. In the evening I preached at Fort Hays, where I was most hospitably entertained by Col. Floyd-Jones, at whose quarters I spent the night. The next day was occupied with visiting our families at the post, and also the camp, some two miles distant.

On Tuesday, October 14th, I reached Manhattan in the evening, where I solemnized marriage between two persons whom I had confirmed in the previous April, and one of whom the lady, was the daughter of a dear friend, now resident in the

Diocese, whom I had baptized and presented for confirmation, and whose marriage I had solemnized, some twenty years before. in my old Rhode Island home.

On Wednesday, October 15th, I started again for the East, and attended the anniversaries of the three evangelical societies, the Church Missionary Society, the Evangelical Educational Society, and the Evangelical Knowledge Society, in Philadelphia, on October 22d, 23d and 24th, and on Friday morning went on to New York, reaching that city in time to attend, at Trinity Chapel, a meeting of the House of Bishops, called for that day.

At this meeting, the Rev. John Gottlieb Auer was elected Missionary Bishop for Cape Palmas and parts adjacent; and the Rev. William Henry Hare was elected Missionary Bishop for the new jurisdiction in the Indian Reservation and Territory of Niobrara.

The rest of October and a part of November, after attending the meetings of the Board of Missions, I remained in New York, trying to secure funds for our institutions, visiting Pelham Priory, the distinguished and admirable school of the Misses Bolton, and preaching in several of the churches of New York and Long Island. I visited Easton, in Pennsylvania, and Wilmington, in Delaware. I also attended the opening of the Educational Institute for Boys, in Philadelphia, the grand result of the energetic labors and earnest missionary zeal of Miss McHenry, of that city. This is the third great institution of benevolence secured, at large cost, by the untiring devotion of this Christian lady.

On November 18th, I attended a conference of several of the Bishops, called together by the Presiding Bishop.

On the 21st, I started with my family for Kansas, spending the Sunday in Pittsburg, and reached Topeka on the 26th.

The efforts to raise money at the East proved unsuccessful, for it was found, upon consultation with friends, and after a few abortive efforts, that to attempt to push my applications at that time would be injurious, rather than helpful, to our objects. The crisis of the panic had come, and very few had money to give. I had gathered a few hundreds, but not enough to relieve

me. Our work upon our educational buildings had involved considerable outlay. I managed to raise, by a bank loan, Philadelphia, \$1,500, to meet immediate pressing claims. the course of the winter I received, at different times, and unexpectedly, large gifts, enabling me to pay off my loan, and meet other important needs. Never have I realized so distinctly the special Providence of God, as in these gifts referred to. They came, one after the other, each just in time, and of an exact amount, to cover my obligations. I am sure God showed the means to meet the wants, by a very special Providence ordering.

Until the spring visitations were resumed, my time was principally occupied with the oversight of the college, with an extensive correspondence, and with arranging a charter, securing trustees, and preparing a suitable deed for the holding of property to be conveyed to the new corporation of the Kansas Theological School. A person, not familiar with such a work, has little conception of the amount of thought, and of reading and reference, of the comparison of the systems of other institutions, of consultation with legal gentlemen, and of labor in many ways, to complete such an undertaking. It is sufficient to say that the work was done. On the 10th day of February, the first meeting of the trustees was held, and the charter was adopted and signed by those present. It was then sent for the signatures of the three absent trustees, one in Kansas detained by sickness, and two in the city of New York. On the 21st day of February the charter was deposited with the Secretary of State, and filed by him, a certified copy being returned to me from his office. On the 27th day of February, the formal deed was legally executed, (by which, according to an agreement between said college and the Bishop, the terms of which were detailed in my Annual Address of the last year, the College of the Sisters of Bethany conveyed the Old Seminary Building and grounds to the new corporation of the Kansas Theological School,) was received for registry by the County Register of Deeds, and the transfer was made complete. Thus the Diocese has a Theological School organized, with its appropriate building and ground

as well as its school and college for the education of girls.

The Trustees, as first appointed, were Thomas H. Vail, John Bakewell, George Geiger, John K. Dunn, James C. Horton, John M. Kendrick, Magruder Maury, William H. Canfield, Alfred G. Otis, all of Kansas, and Heman Dyer and James F. Sheafe, of New York. Already two vacancies exist, to be filled at the next meeting, one by the lamented death of the Hon. Judge Canfield, and one by the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. Mr. Maury.

On Saturday, the 21st of March, 1874, I went, by special invitation, to spend the last Sunday of his Rectorship with the Rev. P. N. Meade, at Atchison. In the morning, I preached in Trinity Church: and in the evening confirmed four (4) persons. Mr. Meade had accepted the charge of the Chapel of the Holy Innocents, connected with Christ Church, in Baltimore, and on the next day started for his new home. At the close of that evening service he made a brief, but touching, farewell address to the people whom he was about to leave. An excellent preacher, a man of great zeal and entire devotion to his work, he had been very useful, and had won the sincere respect and affection of his people. May the good Lord ever be with him, to bless him in his home and in the ministry.

I am happy to add, that the parish of Trinity Church has, since then, been exceedingly favored in securing as their Rector the Rev. Thomas G. Carver, D. D., late Rector of St. John's Church at Lafayette, Indiana. Dr. Carver has entered upon his new work with marked acceptableness, and with every prospect of extended usefulness. Dr. C.'s Letters Dismissory from the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Indiana were received and accepted on the 27th of last May.

Sunday, March 29th, I spent at Wichita, in Sedgwick County, conducting the services and preaching, in the morning, in the Presbyterian Hall, and, in the evening, in the Baptist Church. In the afternoon, I baptized one (1) child. The health of the Rev. A. S. Teutschel has entirely broken down, and he has been compelled to withdraw from the Mission, and this station is again without a supply.

Easter-Day, April 5th, was spent in Topeka, my first Easter in my own home for several years.

Sunday, April 12th, found me at Emmanuel Church, Monmouth, where I officiated. Their beautiful little church is gradually approaching its completion, the people, month by month and year by year, keeping patiently at their work. It is hoped that, in the course of this year, the Church will be completed and ready for consecration. The Rev. C. E. Butler, the Chaplain and Bursar of our College, is very acceptably in charge of the Mission, officiating, on alternate Sundays, at Monmouth and at Emporia.

On Tuesday, April 14th, I started upon a visitation of the stations along the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad, and along the St. Joseph & Denver Railroad.

The first service was in the evening of this day, at Trinity Church, Atchison, in the vacancy of the Rectorship, where I confirmed two (2) persons.

On the next day, I met the Rev. George Turner, Missionary on the Central Branch Railroad, at Netawaka, where we held service that evening in the Presbyterian Church, when I preached. We hope before long to have a church of our own in this settlement. Mr. Turner accompanied me through the visitation.

On the next day, Saturday, we were at Blue Rapids. Here, in the afternoon, at the parlor of the hotel, where our services have frequently been holden, I met several families, and baptized three children, one of them a child of the Missionary. In the evening, in a public hall, we held Divine service, when I preached, and confirmed one (1) person. The people here are zealous; and the singing and the responses are much to be commended.

The next day, Sunday, April 19th, was a day to be remembered. Our appointment was for the consecration of the new Zion Church, in Centre Township, thirteen (13) miles distant. The morning opened with a very violent easterly storm of wind and rain. In the teeth of the storm, our indefatigable Missionary went on horseback, his clothes wet through and through.

and his very boots literally filled with water. Mr. Turner and myself followed in an open buggy; and two families from Blue Rapids accompanied us in a separate and larger conveyance. In the first mile our two umbrellas were torn to pieces, and our reliance then was upon the buffalo robe which partially protected us. There was nothing to do but to drive on and face the storm, the rain, driven by the wind, cutting our hands and faces like hail. It was one of the occasions when we might have argued that the appointment should be given up, and that no congregation was to be expected. But at 11 o'clock we were at the church, where a good fire in a large wood stove was very welcome. Some were already there, and the people kept coming from over the wide prairie on every side. At 12 o'clock, we commenced the service, and the church was full. The church is on a slight eminence, in the midst of an open rolling prairie, and the people surrounding it in the country are all farmers. They came from distances ranging from one to nine miles, almost all in open farm wagons. Two families came thirteen miles. Two others came eighteen and a half miles. The church was consecrated. Two (2) adults were baptized. Seven (7) persons were confirmed. The Holy Communion was administered. And the services were concluded at about half past two in the afternoon. It was a time of real spiritual blessing to us all. The storm continued through the day and night, and these zealous worshippers had to retrace their way in the same violent storm to their homes. In this case I was more firmly established in the conviction long ago formed, that an Episcopal appointment must never be missed in the country parishes for any stress of weather.

Zion Church is of brick, with open roof and stained-glass windows—a beautiful church—costing about \$2,500, of which \$1,500 was the noble gift of a liberal and devoted Church-woman in Pennsylvania. Our Missions in Marshall County are very promising.

On Monday morning, we drove over to Marysville, the shire-town of Marshall County, on the St. Joseph & Denver Railroad, where we conferred with a few persons friendly to our Church;

and then went on by the railroad to Seneca, the shire-town of Nemaha County. Here, in the evening, we held service, and I preached in the Congregational Church. A small band of our people are very desirous to have our Church established in the town.

On Tuesday, the 21st, after spending the forenoon among the people, we went on to Hiawatha. The evening was very stormy, yet we had a good congregation for the service and a sermon in the Congregational Church. Our few zealous people here welcomed us most heartily.

The morning of Wednesday was devoted to visiting the people. My clerical brethren left me here for their homes; and in the afternoon I returned to Atchison, by the way of Troy; and in the course of the night reached home.

Arrangements are made by which, it is hoped, a missionary will be placed upon the St. Joseph & Denver Railroad this autumn, for regular services in these towns, in Doniphan, Brown and Nemaha counties.

Sunday, April 26th, was my appointment for Grace church, Topeka, where, in the morning, I preached and confirmed nine (9) persons. This parish is greatly improved: and a course of daily services, with addresses every night through Passion Week, (in all which I took a part with the rector and the other clergy in Topeka,) had been productive of much good, bringing some to the essential personal decision for Christ, through the Holy Ghost, and awakening a new interest in religion, and elevating the standard of piety and of personal duty in the parish. The large number of candidates on this and a future visit, was in part the effect of these special services. In the modern parlance they would be called a mission, in that of former years a protracted meeting. Names are of little importance, and our Lenten Time, with its presentation of the crucified, atoning, loving Jesus, is and ought always to be *the revival-season* in our Church.

On Saturday, May 2d, I started upon the visitation of stations along the Lawrence, Leavenworth & Galveston Railroad.

Sunday, May 3d, found me at Independence, Montgomery County. A very neat church, capable of seating one hundred

and fifty people, had been built and completed. But there was a debt of nearly \$1,000 still due upon it. On the Saturday evening previous, I met the vestry, and arrangements were concluded by which the entire debt was provided for, so that the church could be consecrated. Accordingly, on Sunday morning, notwithstanding a severe rain-storm, the little church was filled with an attentive congregation, and was consecrated by the name of the Church of the Epiphany. The Holy Communion was also administered. In the evening I preached again, and confirmed eight (8) persons. The heart of the good rector was gladdened, and the members of this earnest congregation felt repaid for all their efforts and sacrifices.

On the next day, Monday, May 4th, the Rev. Mr. Beatty, the rector, and also missionary in Montgomery County, went with me to Coffeyville, on the very edge of the Indian Territory, several of his congregation accompanying us. There, in the evening, we held service in the large school-hall, and after preaching I confirmed four (4) persons. There is quite an interest in behalf of our church here, and the labors of Mr. Beatty have proved very acceptable and useful.

The next morning, Tuesday, we went up to Thayer, in Montgomery County, where we visited the two families of our Church resident there, and where I baptized one (1) infant. In the afternoon we drove over to Neodesha, thirteen miles eastward, going somewhat out of our way to call on two families of farmers connected with our Church. The notice of our visit had not been received; but the public were soon informed, and I preached to quite a large congregation in the Methodist church. After the service, we met some half-dozen of our families at a private house, and, as St. Paul did on a certain memorable occasion, "continued speaking till midnight." The lack of means is the only hindrance to our success through all this region, within which so many of our people are scattered.

On Wednesday we came to Humboldt. I know of no place which shows such a prostration of the Church, resulting chiefly from the business depression of the State. The larger part of our families had moved away. Where, three years ago, there

was a strong parish, offering \$700 towards the support of a clergyman, and with a liberal subscription towards a church building, only four or five families are left, and these so crippled in their resources, that the taxes upon the church lots then due were paid by the Bishop. In the evening we held service, and I preached in the Presbyterian church. I think, if we could sustain a mission along this road, the effort at this place would be revived. The Rev. Mr. Beatty assisted me at all the services on this visitation. On Thursday I reached home.

On Saturday of the same week I went to Leavenworth, where, in the evening, in the Church of St. Paul, I confirmed four (4) persons presented by the Rev. J. M. Kendrick, rector.

On the next morning, Sunday, May 10th, I visited St. John's Church, now under the rectorship of the Rev. J. N. Lee, where, after an address, I confirmed five (5) persons. This parish has shown much vitality, and under the energetic oversight of its new rector, will soon take its place, as I trust, among our strongest parishes.

The next day, Monday, I was at Lawrence, where I made an address at Trinity church, and confirmed five (5) persons. The city of Lawrence has felt very severely the pressure of the hard times of the last two years, in the falling off of business and in the removal of large numbers—perhaps from two to four thousand of its population—including many connected with our Church. And yet the congregation has been wonderfully replenished, and the services sustained. The energy, fidelity, perseverance, and hopefulness of the people, are an example to all others, and ought to encourage the heart of the faithful rector.

On Thursday evening, at Grace church, Topeka, I baptized one (1) infant, and confirmed one (1) person, an officer of the United States army, who came up with his wife from Fort Larned for this purpose, bringing their babe for admission into the membership of the Church.

On Saturday, May 16th, I commenced the visitation on the Kansas Pacific Railway, going to Salina, one hundred and eighty-six miles west of the Missouri river. Here, on Sunday the 17th,

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I held service and preached both morning and evening. In the morning I baptized six (6) infants, from as many different families, and confirmed two (2) persons. The little church here is now completed, and only waits for the payment of some \$300 to be consecrated.

That night I spent on a freight train, getting to Ellsworth, forty miles further west, where, on Monday, the 18th, at 11 A. M., I officiated in the Church of the Holy Apostles, reading the service, baptizing three (3) infants and one (1) adult, confirming three (3) persons, and administering the Holy Communion. The prospects in this little parish are brightening. Two efficient lay-readers keep up the services, and with the help of a very energetic and devoted lady, and one or two younger helpers, sustain a flourishing Sunday school. So far I had written in July, when I prepared this Address. I regret to add that, in the dreadful fire which devastated one half of the city of Ellsworth, on the afternoon of the 9th of August, our beautiful little church, which had cost so much of toil and sacrifice, on the part of the faithful few in that town, and which embodied the gifts of liberal friends at the east, was burnt down to the ground and without insurance. I shall have something to say on this subject of keeping our churches insured before I close.

On the night of the 18th, in the midst of a violent thunder storm, I went to Hays City, forty-five miles further out, reaching the place on Tuesday morning. In the course of the next day I visited the people in the settlement, and also went to Fort Hays near by, calling on the families at the post, and receiving very kind attentions from Chaplain Collins. That evening I preached in the large school hall to a full congregation from the town and the Fort. The faithful few here are very desirous for more regular ministrations. How can they be supplied?

On the afternoon of Wednesday, accompanied by two families from Hays, I went to Ellis, the central station between the Missouri and the Rocky Mountains, three hundred miles out. Here, in the evening, I preached in the school house, and baptized one (1) infant.

That night I went on to Fort Wallace, one hundred miles fur-

ther west, and near the edge of Colorado. In the morning, at the chapel of the garrison, I preached and confirmed one (1) person. I also visited the families at the post. The larger part of the officers and their families, at all these frontier posts, are connected with our church, the few, who are identified with other communions, always giving me a warm welcome with those who recognize me as more peculiarly their own.

On Thursday night I came back to Russell, where Mr. Eli Sperry, our unwearied lay-reader in this county, met me. We spent the hot day in visiting our people, and in the evening I preached in a public hall.

On Saturday morning I had returned eastward as far as to Junction City, by the night train. The week had been a very fatiguing one, visiting the people every day in the intense heat, preaching every evening, and travelling every night. On only one night in that whole week did I undress myself and go to my bed for a night's sleep.

Sunday, May 24th, I preached in the Church of the Covenant, Junction City, in the morning, and administered the Holy Communion. The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, at Fort Riley, was present and assisted. The Rev. Magruder Maury resigned this parish at Easter, and took letters dismissory to Virginia, where he had accepted the rectorship of the old substantial and respected parish at Middleburgh. His removal is a great loss, not only to this parish, but to our Diocese. I pray God to send us other men as faithful, as single-minded and as devoted as this dear brother. The parish at Junction City has been disastrously weakened during the past year by these hard times, through which our young State has been passing. Many of its most able members have gone away, and its strength has been sadly reduced. Yet it still has a beautiful church, and a valuable property, is out of debt, and has remaining a nucleus of faithful ones, around which, when better times return, a self-supporting congregation will again be gathered. I am glad to say that, since my visit, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, who has always been ready to give labor and make sacrifices for this parish, over which he watched for so many years in its infancy, has consented to resume his old charge,

in its fallen fortunes, and to again supply it with his valuable ministry.

On the evening of the same day, I made my visitation of Fort Riley, accepting the hospitalities of the chaplaincy, and preached in the evening. The numbers at this post have been much reduced during the past year.

On Monday, May 25th, I was at Manhattan, and made an address in St. Paul's church, and confirmed three (3) persons. This church, under the rectorship of the Rev. J. P. Fugett, has been put into complete order, both the building and the grounds. The attendance has been well-sustained, and the affairs of the parish seem to be in a very prosperous condition. I regret to add that this efficient clergyman has recently resigned the rectorship, and has removed to St. Louis.

On the next evening, Tuesday, I preached at Wamego, in the Presbyterian church. The little parish of St. Luke's still keeps alive, and we need to "strengthen the things that remain."

On Wednesday I retraced my steps to Junction City, for the sake of a visit into Clay county with the Rev. Dr. Reynolds the next day.

On Thursday, the Doctor went with me to Wakefield, in the neighborhood of which village we visited some of our people. We saw the little stone church which they, out of their own limited means, without a missionary or any clerical help, had erected on the prairie. It was supported by side-buttresses, and the roof was on; but the windows and doors were not in. We met a number of the people at the house of a zealous layman in the neighborhood, and it was resolved to finish the church this fall. In the evening we met a crowded congregation, at the large school house in Wakefield, where Dr. Reynolds read the service and I preached. On the next morning, Friday, we came back to Junction in time for me to return home by Friday afternoon.

Within three weeks after this visit, when everything seemed so encouraging, a terrific tornado swept over Clay county, and entering the open windows and doors of the little church, lifted the roof and demolished the building. But the energetic

people have made a new start for a stronger and better building. The Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, one of our veteran clergy, has become the missionary in Clay County, and notwithstanding the disaster, things are looking up.

On Saturday, May 30th, I started on the visitation along the Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf Railroad, to return along the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad.

Sunday, May 31st, I preached, in the morning, at St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, and, in the evening, at the same place, made an address and confirmed six (6) persons. The new rector, the Rev. D. W. Cox, seems to be "the right man in the right place," and the condition of the parish is very encouraging. From this point the Rev. Mr. Cox accompanied me through the visitation.

The next day we were delayed, by an accident on the road, and did not reach Girard until 8:30 in the evening. We found a good congregation waiting for us at the Presbyterian church. I made an address, after one or two introductory collects, and we had only the baptismal and confirmation services. I baptized two (2) infants and three (3) adults, and confirmed five (5) persons. This little parish of St. John's has now put itself under the rectorship of the Rev. Mr. Cox, who kindly gives them a Wednesday evening service once in two weeks. They have secured a nice little church on a large and desirable lot, and, since our visit, have added a recess chancel, and hereafter they propose to worship in their own house. My thanks, as well as theirs, are hereby tendered to the trustees of the Presbyterian church, who have so frequently and kindly given us the use of their building.

On the next day, Tuesday, at 10 A. M., I administered the Holy Communion to nineteen persons, in the little church referred to, which has since been finished.

That afternoon we went down to Baxter Springs, on the edge of the Indian Territory. The town has been largely depopulated by the hard times, and by the rival claims of Joplin, in Missouri, the new town near by, where very productive and attractive lead mines have been discovered. We found but three

families of our people left. We had the service and a sermon in the Presbyterian church.

On the next day, Wednesday, June 3d, we drove across the country, and along the line of the Indian Territory, to Chetopa, on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad. Here we visited our people, the few that are left, and, in the evening, in the Methodist church, I preached, and baptized one (1) adult.

From this place, on Thursday, we drove up to Oswego in a private conveyance. Here we visited a church family resident in the town, and in the evening had the use of the Presbyterian church, where we first lighted the lamps and opened the house, for a service and a sermon, with a small congregation.

On Friday, June 5th, we reached Parsons, where we visited twenty families, and also two sick persons. In the evening, at the Congregational Church, Mr. Cox read the service, as he had done on the previous occasions, and I preached. The next morning we met several of the people, and arranged for the reopening of the Mission. I again visited the sick, and then buried a child, and afterwards, at the parlor of the hotel, baptized two infants. Since our visit there, the Rev. B. F. Mower, late of Alabama, has entered upon the Mission at Parsons. The parish are subscribing handsomely towards his support, and have also collected and deposited in the bank \$1,000 towards a new church. To this, a noble lady of Rhode Island had added \$1,500, making up a sum sufficient for enclosing the building, and to fit it up for temporary use. This lady will also aid the parish with further contributions towards its completion. The building will be in memorial of the departed husband of this generous daughter of the Church. Plans have been furnished and contracts made, and the work of church-building is in progress.

At this point, on Saturday, Mr. Cox left me for his home at Fort Scott, and I went on to Burlington.

At Burlington, Coffey County, on Sunday, June 7th, in the Church of the Ascension, I made an address, confirmed two (2) persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the even-

ing I preached. The Rev. L. L. Holden, Rector, and the Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, assisted in the services.

On the next day, Monday, June 7th, I visited Emporia. The Rev. C. E. Butler, of the College, who has charge of this Mission, met me here from Topeka. That evening Mr. Butler read the service, and I baptized one (1) adult, made an address, and confirmed two (2) persons.

In these times of severe financial distress, the Church efforts sympathize with the business affairs of the State, and along the Neosho Valley, as elsewhere, are sadly depressed.

On Tuesday, I returned home.

We have a standing appointment at Topeka for the Sunday prior to our College Commencement. Accordingly, on Sunday, June 14th, I officiated in the morning at Union Hall, where the congregation of Grace Church has worshipped while the church has been going through the process of renovation. In the evening, services were held in the College Chapel, where I preached the Baccalaureate Sermon, and confirmed four (4) persons of the College, making in all thirteen (13) persons confirmed in Grace Church this season.

On Monday and Tuesday, the examinations of the College were held, and were very satisfactory. On Tuesday evening, the concert, which was very successful, showed great proficiency in musical science. On Wednesday morning, the essays showed the progress of scholarship and the leading out of the powers of thought; and on Wednesday afternoon, the regular Commencement exercises closed the college work for the year.

These spring visitations were regularly concluded by services at Oskaloosa, Jefferson County, on Sunday, June 21st, where, in the morning, I preached and baptized one (1) infant, the son of the Missionary in charge, the Rev. Thos. Arthur Taggart, Deacon, and, in the evening, made an address, and confirmed four (4) persons.

The last Episcopal act of the conventional year was the service in which we united on the opening of this Convention, just prior to our organization—the consecration of Grace Church, Topeka, in which we are now assembled. A part of the walls

of the old church remain, but so extensive have been the additions, the changes, and the improvements, that it is, to all intents and purposes, a new church. Although not quite so large as the churches in Lawrence, Leavenworth and Atchison, it is yet ample and commodious, and, in point of beauty, compares favorably with any of our churches. We congratulate the Rector and the congregation on the admirable result of their effort; and we think it is something, if not for boasting at least for thankfulness, that, in times of discouragement like the past year, and especially the past summer, such a work should have been accomplished, and promptly paid for, without the embarrassment of a single penny of debt. May this beautiful church prove to many souls "none other but the House of God and the gate of Heaven!"

Having now made the report of my official work in the last conventional year, a few other points of general interest remain to be referred to:

1. The demands of our great mission work, in these vast harvest-fields of ours, present themselves, first of all, to our consideration and our sympathy. Never were our opportunities so many and so inviting. What the Church *ought* to do, we understand. What we earnestly *desire* to do, we realize with sickness of heart and almost with despair. And yet the conviction is forced upon us, from our past experience, that we can do but little in comparison with the need or with the opportunity. As our help from the Church at large, which has not learned yet how to concentrate her forces upon the larger populations, is relatively so slight, we are compelled. (and this is a valuable lesson from our necessity,) to do all that is possible out of our own limited diocesan resources. Our diocesan missionary agencies must be looked after and developed to their utmost efficiency; and we must, even in our poverty, prove to other helpers, by our own self-denying gifts and efforts, that we deserve their encouragement and their aid.

2. The importance of *insuring* our churches, and *keeping them insured*, has been always upon my mind, since the interests of this Diocese have specially occupied my attention. Several

years ago, in 1865, I presented it earnestly, and the fact that one of our churches, (one, indeed, of our cheapest, not having cost, from all sources, but about \$800,) has been burnt without insurance, compels me to speak of it again. In my own view, the neglect of insuring our churches is a real breach of trust. Those who subscribe for church building rely upon the Vestry or Trustees to see that their gift or investment is protected. And particularly is this trust more serious when the gifts of brethren from out of the Diocese are involved. We owe it to those generous givers, who oftentimes with actual personal sacrifice help us, and who cannot themselves look after their charitable investment, to see that these gifts of love are not wasted, that they shall not be absolutely blotted out of existence in an hour, when by a very small contribution of our own, and by a little care and business promptitude, we can protect and save it. The fault in the particular case referred to is no greater than in every other case where the duty of insurance is neglected. In this case there was the loss; in the other cases there may be. In this case there was simply oversight. The insurance had been kept up for years; but it had run out. There was a little delay in renewing it. In that month of delay, all that had been previously paid was made of no avail, and the property was swept away. The lesson is an expensive one, but it should be a valuable one.

I do not speak of insurance, in these cases, as merely advisable, prudential and expedient; but I speak of it as a Christian duty, in fulfilment of a Christian trust; and, I think, the neglect in such cases is of the nature of sin. I must beg my brethren from every parish in this Diocese, to see that their church buildings are insured without the delay of a day or of an hour. Indeed, I am resolved, hereafter, that I will not aid any parish to the amount of a dollar, except with the distinct assurance that the church building shall be kept insured. It should be the first thing, even before the support of the clergy, and before every other parochial expenditure. I trust that all our churches will act upon these considerations.

3. The great calamities through which our State has been called to pass this year, the drouth and the plague of the grass-

hoppers, are surely Providential warnings. In the former ages, when men had faith in a near present and personal God, not disturbing the laws of nature, but controlling and overruling them to moral ends, these things were regarded as Divine judgments, and were often sent specially, through the prophets threatening them, to reprove nations for special offences. They certainly are always parts of a Divine discipline, and we should so regard and improve them. The great sin of our time and of this portion of our country, is the thirst for gain,—what the old Latin poet called the “*auri sacra fumes*,” the cursed greed of gold,—what the Christian apostle calls the “*love of money, which is the root of all evil*,”—showing itself in usuriousness, in the fever of speculation, in the lack of honest truthfulness in business, and in other wrongs which come from the undue haste to get rich. God has taught us that our prosperity is dependent upon Him. He has but to withhold the rain, and our fields will yield no meat. He has but to send his army of destroying insects, and our boasted harvests melt away. I suggest to my brethren, therefore, without further discussing the principle of a special Providence, or the deep philosophy of prayer, which we as Christians all admit, the expediency of a day of humiliation and of supplication for the public recognition of our dependence upon God, for acknowledging our faults, and for entreating His favor. And I further suggest, that, if we decide to do this, we invite our Christian brethren, of all denominations in the State, to unite with us in their respective churches, on that day, in the observance of similar services to the same end.

On the week before last, when in Pennsylvania, I addressed an appeal to our Christian brethren at the East, telling of our calamity, and asking their benevolent remembrances in our time of need. (See Appendix F.)

4. Since the meeting of our last Convention, four of our bishops have been removed by death—the Rt. Rev. Geo. Maxwell Randall, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico; the Rt. Rev. William Edmond Armitage, S. D., Bishop of Wisconsin; the Rt. Rev. John Gottlieb Auer, T. D., Missionary Bishop at Cape Palmas, and parts adjacent,

in Africa, and the Rt. Rev. Henry John Whitehouse, D. D., LL. D., D. D. Oxon., Bishop of Illinois. I have time for but a brief reference to these distinguished men.

Dr. Randall, I had known from the beginning of my ministry. Of intense nervous energy and zeal, he was pre-eminently a *worker* in the Lord's vineyard. His jurisdiction owes to him the impulse which will carry it on to a permanent success. And the Church has lost in him a faith, an energy, an enthusiasm, which has stirred and blessed her through all the land, and which, in these dark days, she can ill afford to lose.

Dr. Armitage, while a man of vigorous intellect, was yet of so sweet a moral nature, that we hardly realized his strength, while we loved and were fascinated by his sweetness. One of the youngest in our House, much was expected from him in the years to come, but God wanted him, and took him. May such clean hearts and such pure lives be multiplied among us !

Dr. Auer had consecrated all his powers, far more than ordinary, both of mind and heart, to the missionary work in Africa, and upon the altar of self-sacrifice, in that benighted land, had nearly offered up himself before he was called to the Episcopate. His work was speedily done, and within less than one year from his ordination to the office and responsibilities of a Bishop, he passed to his reward.

Dr. Whitehouse was a very important representative of his order and of his church, both in this country and abroad. Of extraordinary ability, and of wonderful gifts, in theology, in law, in science, in art, in classical learning, in polite literature, one of our ablest speakers, one of our ablest writers, one of our ablest thinkers, his chair is vacant, and his Diocese will search in vain for one more able to succeed him.

One other of our Bishops has been removed from his place in the House of Bishops by his own act and of his own choice—the Rt. Rev. George David Cummins, D. D., late Assistant Bishop of Kentucky. For reasons satisfactory to his own mind and conscience, Dr. Cummins abandoned the communion of this church, in the course of the last autumn, and became the head of a new communion—called the Reformed Episcopal

Church. However much for one I deprecate his decision, and dissent from his convictions, I yet pray that God will overrule what has been done, to His supreme glory, and to the best interests of His Church and people. In him and in those who are associated with him is an element of great power, that ought not to be lost to this Church, which the Church ought to retain for herself and for Christ's work within her pale; and, much as I lament the mistaken conclusions, as I regard them, of him and of his associates, I lament, far more, that lack of legislative wisdom and that sinful defect in our ecclesiastical statemanship, which allows such men to go, and which makes no comprehensive provision to retain the admitted power of such good and able men, although extremists, for our own work within our own Church. But I shall speak of the policy of our Church presently.

In connection with the loss of these Bishops, I must speak of the loss of a noble-hearted layman, Mr. John Bohlen, of Philadelphia, suddenly by death removed from the service of God on earth to the rest which remaineth for His saints. Mr. Bohlen and his sister, (for they have been constantly associated in good deeds for many years past,) have been among the generous friends of this Diocese, and from their sincere interest in our work, I have thought of them as those upon whom I could rely as my own years move on to their termination. But in the midst of his strength and in the very vigor of his life, this friend is suddenly called from us. A man of such judgment and of such fixed principles, who made a conscience of every thing he did, and who, when he gave, as he did, so systematically and so generously, always accompanied his gift with his prayers; so honored and so useful in the councils of the Church, and in all her great missionary work, both foreign and domestic, it is very hard to spare him. But we must bow to God's best will, and beseech Him to raise up others to supply, in his family upon earth, the places of these His dear children, whom He transfers to the Heavenly Home. God comfort the bereaved!

Since our last Convention, three new Bishops have been consecrated—the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, D. D., of Massachusetts, the Rt. Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, Assistant

Bishop of North Carolina, the Rt. Rev. John T. Spalding, Missionary Bishop of Colorado, having jurisdiction, also, in New Mexico.

Since the last Convention, I have received canonical notice of the deposition of twenty-two clergymen, as follows: Chas. H. Tucker, Long Island, July 14, 1873; Robert A. McElhinney, Ohio, July 20, 1873; James H. Bowles, California, July 30, 1873; William J. Ellis, Tennessee, September 19, 1873; Chas. R. Brainard, Massachusetts, October 7, 1873; W. M. Guilford, Georgia, November 20, 1873; Henry McLory, Albany, November 25, 1873; John Steindle, Missouri, December 9, 1873; W. H. Fultz, Massachusetts, January 6, 1874; Edward Hubbell, Maine, February 2, 1874; Clement F. Jones, Cape Palmas, February 13, 1874; William H. Reid, Long Island, February 21, 1874; Benjamin F. Brooke, Pittsburg, April 22, 1874; William McGuire, Maryland, April 26, 1874; Thomas A. Robertson, deacon, Tennessee, May 23, 1874; Lucius G. Weaver, Central New York, June 17, 1874; Bishop Cummins, June 24, 1874; James K. McMeekin, Virginia, July 3, 1874; James A. Latane, Virginia, July 30, 1874; James D. Gibson, Alabama, July 28, 1874; George Osborne Eddy, deacon, Albany, August 1, 1874; Samuel H. Meade, Massachusetts, August 2, 1874.

This is a sad record, and yet it goes on year by year—the number of clergy lost by deposition, nearly half the number lost by death. May God, by His Spirit, raise up faithful and true men to fill up the thinned ranks of the ministry of His Blessed Son!

Some two months ago I wrote out and published my views on the True Policy of Our Church in the Present Juncture, as a part of this Address. You have seen the paper. I will not detain you longer by the reading of it. You will find it in its proper place, following what you have already heard, in the Appendix to the Journal.

PASTORAL LETTERS

IN RELATION TO A

DAY OF SPECIAL HUMILIATION.

SENT FORTH SEPTEMBER 16, 1874.

To the Members of the Episcopal Church and the Other Christian People of the State of Kansas :

MY DEAR BRETHREN : In my annual address to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in Topeka last week, September 9, 1874, I used the following language :

"The great calamities through which our state has been called to pass this year—the drouth and the plague of locusts—are surely providential warnings. In the former ages, when men had faith in a near, present and personal God, not disturbing and contravening the laws of nature, but controlling and overruling these laws to moral ends, facts like these were regarded as Divine judgments, and were often sent specially, through the prophets threatening them, to reprove nations for special offences. They certainly are always parts of a Divine discipline, and we should so regard and improve them. The great sin of our time, and of this portion of our country, is the thirst for gain,—what the old Latin poet called the "*auri sacra fames*," the accursed greed of gold,—what the Christian apostle calls the "*love of money*," which is the root of all evil," showing itself in usuriousness, in the fever of speculation, in the lack of truthfulness in business, and in other wrongs which come from the undue haste to get rich. God has taught us that our prosperity is dependent upon Him. He has but to withhold the rain, and our fields will yield no meat. He has but to send His army of devouring insects, and our boasted harvests melt away. I suggest to my brethren, without further discussing the principle of a special Providence, or the deep philosophy of prayer, both of which we as Christians admit, the expediency of a Day of humiliation and supplication, for the public recognition of our dependence upon God, for acknowledging our faults, and for entreating His favor. And I further suggest that, if we decide to do this, we invite our Christian brethren of all denominations in the State, to unite with us, in their respective churches, on that day, in the observance of similar services to the same end."

The Committee to which this part of my address was referred, made the following report, which was unanimously adopted by the Convention :

"WHEREAS, Our State has been lately visited with a great calamity, by drouth and by the ravages of the locusts ; therefore,

"Resolved, That in this visitation we recognize the hand of God, and feel

that He is reminding us in a most impressive manner of our sins and of the necessity of humbling ourselves before Him in confession and repentance.

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this body, that in accordance with the Bishop's suggestion, it is highly proper that a Day of public humiliation and prayer should be appointed by Him, at such time as he deems expedient, on which our people may meet at their usual places of worship to confess our sins to God, to entreat His forgiveness, and to ask the removal of His chastening hand.

"Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to invite all Christians, of whatever name within the State, to unite with us in similar services on that day."

Therefore, in conformity with this request, I appoint for my own people Friday, the 13th day of November next, as a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer, and will send to them, in due time, the suitable order for the public services.

And I hereby, for myself and my people, affectionately and respectfully invite our Christian brethren of all denominations in the State, to unite with us in the same solemn public humiliation on the day appointed for us and suggested to them, trusting that we may all gather in our several houses of prayer, "rending our hearts and not our garments, and turning unto the Lord our God. Then will the Lord be jealous for His land and pity His people: yea, the Lord will answer and say unto His people, Behold I will send you corn and wine and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten; and ye shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you."

THOMAS H. VAIL,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas.

To the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas.

DEAR BRETHREN: In accordance with your request, made in our recent annual Convention, I have appointed Friday, the 13th day of November next, as a day of public humiliation, fasting and prayer, in view of the severe providential discipline through which our State has passed during the last summer.

You will please use the service for Ash Wednesday, except that you may substitute, if you prefer to do so, for the first lesson, Exodus, chapter 10th, the 21st verse, or Joel, chapter 2d.

Believe me, beloved, faithfully and affectionately, your Bishop, and servant for Jesus' sake.

THOMAS H. VAIL.

Now look at the other side of the Church. Let us see how the High Churchmen have been treated.

A few words will suffice to say all that is to be said about it. This large majority must be made up of very good men, for there have been no prosecutions, no trials, no penalties. Of what use are canons and rubrics where majorities and bishops think and feel alike? Let our learned and candid thinkers reply. They have had it all their own way. In the face of the old Prayer-Book, and the old customs, they have compelled new customs; by *regular* processions and recessions they have *practically enlarged* the services; they have introduced new postures even to an absolute revolution of the old usages; they have added novel articles of chancel furniture; they have put the clerical vestments upon boys and laymen; they have brought in clerical vestments of forms and colors entirely unprecedented among us; they have initiated a habit of frequent bowings in the services; they have *methodically* introduced singing into a place where there is no rubrical provision for it, and have thus practically interpolated a new anthem and a new rubric of their own; some have brought strange teachings into the pulpit; some have instituted auricular confessions and private absolutions; and altogether, and without going further into details, a thoroughly-organized system of usage and of doctrine, utterly unknown heretofore in this Church, has been suffered to grow up, or to grow out, among our High Church parishes—a system which is already threatening, as many of them now see and admit, to subvert or to destroy this hitherto Protestant Church. Some of these things are æsthetical, and if lawful might be very allowable. Others are foreign to the very nature of this Church, and are only to be condemned in their principles and tendencies. But here they are on this High side of the Church, and the first formal judicial censure has not occurred.

Have I not stated the facts, and stated them dispassionately? Shall this one-sided policy, with the liberty or license all on one side, and the restrictions all on the other, be continued? I think not. Fair-minded men in the majority are realizing the mistake and the wrong. The great sensible mind of the Church—the sober, correct thought of our brethren on that side—protests against the migration. This line of policy will be discarded. The intimations are too clear to be misunderstood.

II. Just opposite to this which we have just sketched is the Low Church policy.

We speak of it as one of the four possible. It is at least supposable.

the legislative action. It is right, therefore, that every one, who has any fixed convictions on these topics, should lay them before his brethren for their candid consideration.

There are *four lines of policy*, and only four, which are possible. At of *these four* we must take our choice of *the one* which seems best and right.

These may be denominated—

1. The High Church Policy.
2. The Low Church Policy.
3. The Compressive or Sectarian Policy.
4. The Comprehensive or Catholic Policy.

I use a familiar phraseology, not because I have any personal partiality for it, but because the terms are well understood, and enable me to speak directly and intelligibly, without useless circumlocution and the consequent waste of time and words.

We will look at these four separately.

I. The High Church Policy is that under which our Church is now living and has been living for many years past. It restricts and restrains our ministers and members on the Evangelical side of the Church, while it allows the largest liberty to those who develop on the opposite side.

Let us see how the Low Churchmen have been treated.

For example, a Canon has been passed (in 1868) which forbids a clergyman of this Church, or a warden or vestryman or trustee in the absence of a clergyman, ever to permit a minister of good standing in any of the "different religious denominations of Christians in these States," as the Preface to our Prayer-Book styles them, to officiate in any congregation of this Church, in any way, or for any purpose, or in any circumstances however peculiar, in preaching or baptising, or solemnizing marriage, or burying the dead, even in the use of our own Formularies, or even in lay-reading, as any layman may do. Here is a new Canon, passed within six years, purposely to tie up ministers and congregations on the Low side of the Church—to cut off a liberty which might be used once in an age, and which had, from the beginning of this Church to the day of the passage of the Canon, been used very rarely, without any harm to anybody, and in its occasional and courteous use relieving some local difficulty, and commending the Church to others.

We speak of this as a *new* canon, for such it is to all intents and purposes. The original canon of 1792, amended in 1808 and in 1832, had reference entirely to imposters, claiming to be Episcopal

ministers, and thus seeking settlements and securing rectorships. (See **Hawks and Hoffman.**) It had no reference whatsoever to non-Episcopal clergymen true to their own denominations. The canon (originating in a special case in Rhode Island, in which the Court decided that the old canon did not apply,) was purposely framed, mostly in the words of the old canon, to prevent any non-Episcopal clergyman from officiating, on any single occasion, in an Episcopal congregation. The intention and the bearing of the whole canon were *entirely new*, and an absolute novelty in the history of our legislation.

Besides, the old canon was so badly expressed that it could not, by any process, be turned in the new direction. It was really directed against the imposter or intruder, a person over whom it had no jurisdiction. The new canon, for the new offence, brought the penalties immediately upon our own clergyman, warden, vestryman, or trustee. Thus the canon of 1868 was simply and actually a new law for a partisan end.

I admit, with entire frankness, that some Low Churchmen voted for the canon, led by the excitement of the hour, or irritated by their dis-sympathy with the special case, or over-anxious for peace, or not familiar with the history of the old canon, or deceived by the apparent similarity in the wording of the old and the new, or not realizing the aim and effect of the law. But the matter has been better understood since, and the injury is felt to be heavier. It is a very unwise canon, raising an issue never before raised in the Church; bearing directly, in its principle and motive, upon only one school in the Church, and is a needless cause of contention and grievance.

In the same direction, and within about the same time, other canons have been strangely, if not perversely, applied to bring penalties upon clergymen on this minority side of the Church, not, to be sure, injuring those men before a discriminating public, as any trial on a mere party issue never can, but showing the animus of the prosecution and the drift of the majority. And Rubrics and Promises of Conformity, prepared by the whole Church, have been subjected by Diocesan Courts to unusual and Diocesan interpretations. And under such interpretations, clergymen on this same Low side of the Church have been made the subjects of the severest penalties, by Diocesan Canons, in the very face and eyes, as many of us believe, of the Canons of the General Convention. In the absence of a General Court of Appeals, there is no remedy, and the helpless minority has been made to feel the power of the irresponsible majority.

In referring to these facts, there is no desire to bring up matters which,

God, doubtless, has His people outside of these limits, but *we* are not called upon to provide for them. "I say unto you that many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven."—(Matt. 8 : 11.)

Our duty is to see that God's essential revealed truth is held *secure*, distinct, unadulterated, and that all, who hold that, shall have *room* and scope within the Church. That truth first, for it would be *no* church without that. Afterwards, all who hold and love that truth, within the one outspreading communion of that one grand Church. Why, holding the essential Christianity, can we not differ in *one* Church, and acknowledge the common Christianity, and work together in some things, as well as recognize the common Christianity in many communions, and remain separate and belligerent?

Our course, then, is plain—to arrange our ecclesiastical system upon this broad ground. If there are views held among us directly hostile to God's truth, as it was recovered for us at the Reformation, which degrade the glory of Christ, or encourage superstition and idolatry, these views must be forbidden, even to the extent of removing those who hold them, by the Church's discipline, from her fold. The renewal of Christ's one propitiatory sacrifice in the Lord's Supper, the real personal presence of Christ in the elements, so that he may be adored in the bread and wine,—these are substantially Romish error, and not within the limits of Christian truth. These teachings must be expurgated, so that, not by word or sign or symbol, they shall be taught, or even hinted, in this Church. And this must be enforced, even if some good people go out from us. Personal goodness is not a sure evidence of theological truth. It is to be valued and respected wherever it is; but it is not a guarantee of opinions, and cannot turn doctrinal error into doctrinal truth. And it must not stand unchallenged, to contradict the vital truth nor to shield the deathly falsehood.

If any of those, whom we may thus lose, are indeed God's people,—as doubtless many in error are, as Jews, Mohammedans, heathen and devotees of corrupt although nominal Christian churches have been and are,—God will provide for His own. We are not responsible for them, but for His truth. Yet preserving and guarding His truth in the Church, we must make a place within it for all who hold and prize it with us.

Therefore, peculiarities which have reference to æsthetics, or diversities of tastes or of temperaments, we must allow. Some make much of sacraments and ordinances and ceremonials, of music and art and order. Others will care less for these, while all, in t

different degrees of regard for these things, or of dependence upon them as means and helps, may love and serve Christ. Philip of Bethsaida could come to Christ alone upon His call. But Nathaniel must lean upon Philip and be led by him to Jesus, although he was an Israelite indeed in whom was no guile. There must be allowance for men's idiosyncracies, and there must be mutual toleration within the limits of revealed truth. "Bear and forbear" within these limits.

I say, then, the way is plain. We must widen our system both ways, so far as the law is concerned—towards the Low Churchmen on one side, who, being in a minority, can have their rights only by the written law, and towards the High Churchmen on the other side, to give them, by the written law, that which they, being in the majority, have taken without law.

Therefore, I urge in behalf of the Low Churchmen *the repeal of that new restrictive Canon of only six years ago*—Canon 11 of Title I. Leave these brethren as they had been before, from the beginning. Therefore, I urge, while you keep your Formularies entire, that the majority, who prefer them as they are, may be suited, *give also a few alternative phrases*, so that other brethren, be they many or few, shall not be compelled to say what they do not conscientiously approve.

If you cannot or will not touch the Rubrics, which, for other reasons of indefiniteness and deficiency, so gravely need to be revised, then pass a Canon, or, rather, a general Rubric, allowing a certain discretion in the use of the Services, subject, if you please, to the assent of the Ordinary. But, *in some way*, provide for this difficulty, for it is a serious one and not to be trifled with, especially in times like these. If it were not serious we would not be disposed to risk the harsh judgment of some of our brethren in urging it.

And yet, I think, the true and manly way is to take hold of the Rubrics. It is a very serious question, to say the least, whether, under the present constitution of the Church, we have the right to pass a Canon which shall supersede the Rubrics, or which shall even legalize any changes in the Services, which are now prescribed by Rubrical directions. It seems to me that the fear to touch the Rubrics in order to adapt them to the necessities of the present day, because of the many rash changes that may be proposed, is certainly not worthy of intelligent and upright men. It is said that it is dangerous to open the door to changes. Certainly, the door ought to be opened; it ought always to be kept open; for if there is a necessity for a change, then the change ought to be made. Such reasoning turns us into children. It is a terrible admission against our statesmanship and

against our common sense. For one, I have not the slightest sympathy with the objection, and regard it as utterly unworthy of those to whom God has committed the care and oversight of this Church, and upon whom He has laid the solemn obligation not to shrink from the duty which He requires of us to provide for the needs of the holy Church of His dear Son. Such an objection forever bars all progress and adaptation to recurring wants and events. If the Church had acted so in the past, she would have been dead long ago. If she decides to act so in the present and in the future, she will be dead very soon. It is impossible to adopt such an objection as a rule of action. We may pass away, if we are faithless, in our own shame, but God will raise up others, who will not evade the responsibility, which our own Prayer-Book in its preface recognizes, and which, in the very nature of things, is inherent in the legislative authorities of the Church. It is one thing to be rash; it is another thing to be reasonable. And to act reasonably does not by any means involve the sequence of acting rashly. Let us face our responsibility, and, in a just and tolerant and prudent spirit, discharge our duty.

In a great Church, having within itself different recognized schools of opinion and sympathy, *legislation should be confined to the mutually accepted essential truths to which all conform.*—TRUTHS, I say, NOT INTERPRETATIONS OF TRUTHS. *Mere partisan legislation, in the interest of this or that school, is, in the very nature of the case, to be forbidden.* For example: If I believe that any other ordination than the Episcopal is invalid, you have no right to compel me to say or to act against my convictions, or by word or act to acknowledge its validity. So, on the other hand, if I believe that non-Episcopal ordination is valid, you have no right to compel me, by word or act, to assert its invalidity. I have a right to my opinion, recognized as my right, and you must protect me in it, and not compel me, by partisan legislation, (while my school of thought is recognized as having its full and equal right in the Church,) to endorse the partisan interpretations of an opposite school. You have, also, to give another example, a right,—more than this, a duty,—to maintain by legislation, and if necessary, by legal penalties, the fundamental doctrine accepted by all of us, that our justification is only through the all-sufficient merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith, and not for our works or deservings, and that our faith and all our Christian character are granted to us through the sanctification of the Holy Ghost, giving to us a good will and working with us when we have that good will. But you have no right to enforce upon me the Calvinistic philosophy of that full salvation, which is of a school,

nor the Arminian philosophy of it, which is of a school, nor the Sacramentarian philosophy of it, which is of a school, nor any Rationalistic or other theory of it. Hence I affirm that the legislation, which restricts Low Churchmen in those things which belong to their recognized school of opinion and sympathy, is *partisan* and should be removed. We are willing to ask it as a favor. We are justified in demanding it as a right. We appeal to our brethren. Be just; aye, be generous.

Whatsoever a person representing one of the recognized schools in the Church says or does, in carrying out the views of his school, *he only* is responsible. *The Church is not responsible for it; she only tolerates it.* The Church states *facts* or *doctrines*, and is responsible for her statements. Her members announce their *theories* of these facts or doctrines, and are themselves alone responsible for these—and these originate the schools. There is no disputing about the facts or doctrines. The dispute is about the theories. Let the disputants be equally tolerated.

Accordingly, applying the foregoing principles still further, I urge, let our legislation be so far modified, by Rubrics and Canons if necessary, as to authorize for the High Churchmen all that they want, (if they want it, and for those who want it,) of an ornate, and symbolical, and extended, and diversified ceremonial, clearly and unmistakably within the limits of that Christian and Protestant truth which our great fathers secured for us at the Reformation, and which many of them sealed with the blood of martyrdom. There is no need to enlarge upon this.

All we ask is *just and equal legislation, giving all proper liberty on both sides, and saving the precious and essential truth.*

In looking at this whole matter of our church system, in the manifold relations which it now has, and others which it ought to have, towards all its members, in all their varieties of thought and temperament, and of education and sympathy, and of social life and influence; towards the large bodies of non-Episcopal Christians in our own land and elsewhere; towards our many sister Churches throughout the world, derived from the English ordinations; towards the vast numbers of nominal Christians in the corrupted communions of the East and the West; towards the millions of the heathen; towards the masses within our English civilization, crowded in the cities or outspread over the illimitable countries: considering all these, and that towards all these we have a duty—surely we have much to do. And if our present system is inadequate to such responsibilities, then there is

great wisdom in that suggestion of the Bishop of Western New York, that there should be called a Church Constitutional Convention or Congress to consider the adaptation of our system to the Church's duty, in all her manifold relations to the work of her members, to the needs of the world, and to the glory of Christ.

I have stated the four lines of policy which are possible for the Church in the present juncture.

I suppose, the first named, so manifestly unfair and unjust, although so long maintained, will be abandoned.

I suppose the second named is impracticable, and, I am sure, nobody wants it.

We must choose between the two last named—between the third and the fourth.

If we take the third named—that is, the Compressive and Sectarian policy—I fear we shall lose a great many from both sides, and really gain none; while such a system, against the nature of a true church, and so against God, must soon perish and come to naught.

If we take the fourth named—the Comprehensive or Catholic policy—and carry it out in an honest, large, magnanimous spirit, we may possibly win back some who have wandered away; we shall certainly remove all the causes which are now making so many think seriously of a withdrawal; we shall furnish powerful attractions towards many who are only waiting for such legislation that they may cast in their lot with us; and, above all, we shall do what is right, and have a Church in accordance with the mind of Christ, in His great laws of Love, Forbearance and Unity.

We must look at the logical necessities in human history, and provide in time against evils to be legitimately developed out of an existing system in the future.

It is impossible, when old historic schools are recognized as of equal right in the Church, that either shall be willing to be always in subjection to the other, and compelled to accept its partisan over-rulings. Such a school, if it cannot find an honorable and equal home in the church of its birth and of its life, if it must remain an outlaw and a slave, a mark of derision and a perpetual subject of suspicion and surveillance, must finally see that it has but one alternative—justifiable only in the last and unavoidable Providential necessity. That alternative, certainly, is not yet come to us; nor is it near at hand. And the spirit of this period is more of brotherhood than of mastership. And there is the disposition to be just and kind,

although the power of old habits sometimes keeps us blind to present duties.

A grand Providential opportunity is before us, of making a noble Church for our whole country. If we lose this opportunity, we shall sink into insignificance.

Where is the man, or where are the men, in the present majority of the Church, large-hearted and liberal-minded and brave enough to initiate such generous and just legislation, and to push it through to a successful consummation?

God "teach His senators wisdom!"

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the Councils of the blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world; we beseech thee to be present with the Council of thy Church soon to be assembled in thy Name and Presence. Save them from all error, ignorance, pride and prejudice; and of thy great mercy vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to direct, sanctify, and govern *us* in *our* important work, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, that the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places, to the breaking down the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death; till at length the whole of thy dispersed sheep, being gathered into one fold, shall become partakers of everlasting life; through the merits and death of Jesus Christ our Saviour. AMEN.

DISCONNECTED QUERIES ON SEVERAL POINTS.

In times like these, when so many minds are turned in the direction of Ecclesiastical legislation, and when all parts of the Church's system are being considered and revised by thoughtful and anxious churchmen, there are many points which suggest inquiry. I venture to throw out a few queries, some of which may find their solution soon, and some of which may wait for an answer until the seed sown shall germinate into fruit. These queries are not necessarily connected with the preceding argument. I introduce them with that word, in which is really involved so much of deliberative wisdom—the word “*perhaps*.”

1. Perhaps, it would be well, as we have, and probably shall hereafter have, such varying and dissimilar modes of public worship, in the arrangements of music, in the position of ministers while officiating, and in all the accessories of Divine service, to allow the people—the laity—the members of our congregations, to have something to say as to the sort of service, among these varieties, which they would prefer; and not to leave this whole matter, as it is now left, in the hands of the officiating minister. Our Church evidently had this idea, so just and right, in her mind when she made the Rubric now in our Prayer-Book before the Creed: “And *any* Churches may omit the words, He descended, etc.” Some, I know, interpret this clause as referring to the Synodal action of Dioceses. If so, here is a point gained. Then the Church gives to Dioceses *now* some right to act upon the Formularies? But if the Rubric applies to congregations, as clearly was the design of our fathers, then we have the principle admitted already, that the congregations may have a voice and a choice in the services designed for them. And why not give them this right more distinctly, so that they shall not be subject altogether to the caprices and whims of the man—it may be, very young and inexperienced—who is their leader in these services?

2. Perhaps, it would be wise to go back to the ancient and universal usage in the Church of Christ, (until a new rule was adopted i

comparatively modern times.) and allow each Diocese to have a voice in arranging its own Formularies. Perhaps a Canon might be passed, as an Article of the Constitution, giving to each Diocese and Bishop, acting concurrently, a power to adapt to their own circumstances the General Formularies, approved by the General Convention. Perhaps this would be the easiest way—most accordant with primitive usage and the invariable practice of the Universal Church—to relieve many of our present difficulties in this vexed matter of Revision.

3. Perhaps, it would give a freer play to heart and soul, if we had a larger variety in our Forms—Collects of Prayer and Thanksgiving, and Anthems of Praise and Adoration, and Responsive Teachings of Holy Writ, all along that wondrous Life of the Son of God, which is the glorious cord on which is hung our Ritual Year of Sacred Services. Thank God! in this we are eminently Scriptural, primitive, Catholic, eminently human in our longings, eminently Christian in our attainings, and perfect in the Divine Liturgical principle which gives character to all our worship. If the characteristic principle be perfect, may we not make the Services which should illustrate it more worthy of it. Many suggestions to this end have been made by able writers. Some beautiful models, as in the Anthem Book of St. Luke's Hospital, New York, have been presented. Why not improve? Why remain stationary, when the world and the Church are both moving?

4. Perhaps, it would not be a rash experiment, to give our Clergy a little more of personal discretion in the use of our Services, especially in the newer portions of the country. Possibly, they do some of them use their discretion sometimes without looking very carefully at the red printing, as their emergencies arise. But would it not be better not to be obliged to quote the Rubrics of Necessity and Common Sense against the written directions? Would it not be better to give the liberty, and let it be used lawfully; and not to let customs grow up, as they have done and are now doing, to nullify the written law? Was there ever a body of men so restrained by Rubric and Canon, so debarred from all personal option, so legislated into mere automata, so far as the Services of Public Worship are concerned, as are the Clergy of this Church? Is it not one result of this denial of Clerical discretion, that Rubrics and Canons are virtually set aside, where the acts of the individual are in harmony with those of the majority? Is there not serious danger in such a state of things? Would it not be better to give more right of discretion, and limit it, than to give so little, and have the law, where majorities concur, practically set aside?

5. Perhaps, one reason why so many congregations are not supplied

with ministers, and so many ministers are not successfully employed, is in the fact that we lack a most important element of *self-devotion*, both in the ministers and the congregations. The two most effective ecclesiastical organizations, so far as the employment of ministers and the supply of congregations are concerned, are the Methodist and the Roman Catholic. In these bodies every minister is pledged to go where he is sent, and every congregation to accept the minister appointed. Thus every minister has his work, and every congregation its pastor. Our Clergy and our Churches are under no such obligations, for there is no law ruling such cases. Ministers and people, in the matter of ministerial service, are entirely independent of all authority. The essential element of self-devotion is not required nor recognized in the law. Shall we ever have it?

6. Perhaps, our Episcopate could be made more effective if more power could be given to it in certain directions. The instances referred to in the last paragraph exhibit the power in such an office, when enforced by the consent of the Church. In this new country, where my home is, the Presbyterian and Congregational bodies have each between one and two hundred congregations, of which not a dozen in each are self-supporting. Each of these bodies has one resident officer, presiding over all these missions—a superintendent of missions—a bishop of really greater power and autocratic control than any of our bishops can possibly possess. “God gives us bishops,” and thus it is proved. Such an officer, by one name or another, is a natural and unavoidable necessity, even in communions which in theory reject them. And yet almost all the power of *our* bishops is simply advisory, and of mere personal influence. We have no power beyond that of advice, as to the work of ministers and the supply of congregations—bishops powerless, where the efficiency of their office is most needed for the growth and prosperity of the Church. Can this office in our Church be ever made much more than advisory? Will the Church consent to make it more really effective for her daily work?

All these questions, and such as these, will come before our Ecclesiastical Legislatures some day. Every year's delay makes them more difficult of settlement. Shall we always wait?

APPENDIX B.

REPORT of the Majority of the Committee to whom was referred the proposed change in Article III, of the Constitution.

The undersigned, to whom was referred back from the Committee on Constitution and Canons proposed alterations of Section 3, Article III, of the Constitution, respectfully report that they have given the subject careful consideration, and find that the proposed change will necessitate several other changes in the letter of the Constitution and Canons, such as the second line of Section 2, Article XI; the 1st Section of Canon II, and Rule 9, in the Rules of Order; and that it runs counter to the *spirit* of the Constitution and the entire code of Canons. And having been repeatedly informed, by high authority, that the Kansas Diocesan Constitution and code of Canons were pronounced "*all but perfect*" by the highest authority in Canon law in this Church, deem it, on these grounds, inexpedient to make the change.

But there are other and stronger objections to the proposed change. The amendment is not in accordance with the *spirit* or even with the letter of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Article II of that Constitution declares that "a majority of suffrages, by *Dioceses*, shall be conclusive in each Order, provided a majority of *Dioceses* are represented in that order." *Vide* also Article IX, Section 1, Canon XIII. Title I says: "To entitle a *Diocese* to the choice of a Bishop, by the Convention thereof, there must be, at the time of such choice, * * more *parishes* represented in the Convention;" and the entire groundwork of the whole law of the General Church is based upon the peership of presbyters and *parishes*; and is clearly at variance, in spirit, to the proposed amendment; and the vote of four *parishes*, having each the highest number of lay-delegates the amendment will give, or can in future by a farther change give, will be neutralized in the most important elections ever held on the floor of Diocesan Conventions, by the vote of any *four* delegates, provided the latter represent four different *parishes*.

And after the election, the papers of the Bishop-elect must "be signed by a constitutional majority of the members of the Convention. And this "constitutional majority" always means a majority of the presbyters, and organized *parishes* in said Convention.

But, if we pass this "amendment," any two or three parishes can send to the Convention any four lay delegates they please, where, in accordance with another part of the same canon, they may exercise a controlling influence, by not ratifying the election of a Bishop for *another Diocese*; or that of the nomination of the House of Bishops for a missionary jurisdiction, and in this way the policy of the Bishop, clergy, and laity of this Diocese may be entirely neutralized by *two*, or at most three parishes of the Diocese. The same principle is involved in the formation of new Dioceses. *Vide* Section 4, Canon 6, Title III. It is involved again in Section 2, Canon XIII, of Title I. And here the two parishes which had but *two* votes in the Diocesan Convention, and could not prevent the election, may, by its lay vote, in General Convention, refuse to ratify that election.

For, adopt this amendment, and the two parishes of — and —, may have on this floor *eight* delegates, and if six other parishes send, in all, seven delegates—a larger lay representation than usual—the Convention will have a large constitutional majority, the *two* parishes can readily control the entire Diocese, by electing a moiety of the Standing Committee, who, during the recess of the General Convention, might withhold their consent to the consecration of a Bishop, for another Diocese, and one whose views are in full sympathy with a large majority of this Diocese. *Vide* Section 3, of the same Canon.

And this Standing Committee, on the death or resignation of the Bishop, becomes the ecclesiastical authority thereof. We may thus place, by this "amendment," our highest rights and most sacred responsibilities, not only *out of our own hands*, but in that of two parishes, whose views of church polity may, in time, become antagonistic to the rest of the Diocese. And we may ultimately give to two parishes, or else be unable to elect a Standing Committee—*vide* Article IX of our Constitution—paramount jurisdiction in matters of minor discipline, which may lead to such anarchy as has never yet been witnessed in the Protestant Episcopal Church. For without any of the inherent rights of discipline given to a Bishop at the time of his "ordaining" to that holy office, the Standing Committee, (which by this "amendment" may be the creature of a faction,) is directed to act, when there is no Bishop, as the Ordinary of the Diocese. And, further. The 8th Section of Canon II, Title I, makes the Standing Committee "competent to receive and do all that is assigned to the Bishop in Sections 3, 4, and 6, of the same Canon. In this they receive power to shape the *future* theological status of the Diocese—a grave power which the entire Diocese should as faithfully guard for themselves, as it has been wisely committed to them by the Constitution and Canons of the general Church. It is thus clearly shown that, by this amendment, two parishes with eight delegates may, on the floor of the General Convention, and through the Standing Committee, thwart the entire Diocese.

We have proved, therefore, that the proposed amendment is **directly** in conflict, not only with Diocesan rights, but with the **spirit** of the general Church, which allows to Kansas—now one **of** the smallest and weakest Dioceses—a co-ordinate power with **New York** or **Pennsylvania**, with their hundreds of clergy, myriads of communicants, and millions of dollars worth of church property.

It will rob all our parishes of their *individuality*, and establish instead thereof, a Diocese composed of clergy and communicants.

There are, at present, forty separate and distinct Dioceses in confederation with the general Church, in these United States, in no one of which has the radical principle proposed by this "amendment" ever been established.

But its speculation does not end here. It will rob the clergy of their vested rights, by taking influence from those who officiate in parishes having but few communicants, and passing it over to two or three presbyters whose parochial relations will surround them with a large majority of the lay delegates in every Diocesan Convention.

Your committee cannot close this report without recalling some of the able arguments made against the amendment by a lay delegate from Grace church, Topeka.

Hitherto, he said, the representation, on this floor has been based upon parishes, each parish being a unit of the Diocese, and, as such, represented in its deliberations. Shall this principle, one of long standing in our church polity, give way for an *untried novelty*, a representation based upon persons? The Church has safely crossed the turbulent sea of ages on the basis of representation by *parishes*, and now, we are told, for the first time in her noble history, that this basis is *unjust*. We deny the statement, and boldly declare that the Diocese is not divided into *personal* parts, but into *parishes*: and hence the *parish*, and not the constituent parts thereof, is the true basis of representation. The parish is the unit of the Diocese, and its *utmost* unit.

Again: This amendment assumes that a parish of one hundred units has interests peculiar to its magnitude. This is purely an assumption, for her interests are essentially like that of a parish of ten units. To assert the opposite is to declare that truth and righteousness in a community of one hundred souls bring dissimilar conditions to what they do to ten souls.

This, we deny, and must continue to deny, until it can be proven that the millionaire's pots of gold are of more value to him than the widow's three measures of meal are to her."

And now, as this report must be brought to an end, we simply ask, in conclusion, that if a change in Section 3, of Article II of our Constitution be desirable and lawful, why should we be *unjust*? Why should a parish having fifty-one communicants be entitled to *but two* delegates, and another having fifty-one

communicants be allowed *three* delegates? And why should not a parish, like Trinity church, Lawrence, having one hundred and forty-one communicants have *five* delegates? If the identity of parish organization be destroyed in this Diocese—as it will be if this “amendment” becomes law—the Constitution, to be consistent, must make another change in this Article of the Constitution, within a decade, and must give to some of our city parishes from eight to twelve lay delegates. The grave results that may follow such a Diocesan organization need not be named by your committee.

For these, with many other reasons of great weight, but which space will not permit us to name, the majority of your Committee regard the proposed amendment as suicidal to this Diocese, and they, therefore, offer the following

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to alter Section 3, of Article III of the Constitution of this Diocese, and that the Special Committee to whom the proposed changes were referred, be discharged.

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MINORITY REPORT on the proposed Constitutional Amendment regarding Lay-representation in the Convention.

The undersigned, a minority of those present of the Special Committee to whom was referred the proposed amendment to Section 3, Article III, of the Constitution, in regard to the ratio of representation from each parish of the Diocese, and to whom the proposed amendment, as prepared and recommended by them heretofore was referred back by the last Annual Convention, with instructions to report to this Convention said amendment, with such changes in the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order as shall be required to make them all consistent with the change proposed, would report as follows:

The changes in our Constitution, Canons and Rules, to make them consistent with the proposed amendment, are few and simple. We give them here as a part of this report.

We recommend the adoption of the amendment heretofore reported, with a slight change, which appears below. The proposed amendment now reads as follows:

“Every parish, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, to be chosen by the parish, at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry. Every parish, numbering fifty or less communicants, shall be entitled to two delegates. Every parish numbering more than fifty, and not more than one hun-

dred communicants, shall be entitled to three delegates. Every parish numbering more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to four delegates. The delegation from each parish represented shall be entitled, on a division by Orders, to the full number of votes to which said parish is entitled."

We recommend that, if the proposed amendment be approved, the fourth line of it be changed so as to read, after the word communicants, 'As by annual parochial report next preceding,' so that this clause shall read: "Every parish numbering fifty or less communicants, as by annual parochial report next preceding, shall be entitled to two delegates," and that the last clause be changed, after the word Orders, into "to votes equal in number to the number of delegates to which said parish is by this section entitled," and these further words be added, "a certificate of the appointment of the delegates signed by the Senior Warden or Clerk of the parish or vestry, or by the minister of the parish, shall before their admission be laid before the Convention."

The whole section will then read as follows: "Every parish in union with this Convention shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay-delegate, or lay-delegates, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry. Every parish numbering fifty or less communicants, as by annual parochial report next preceding, shall be entitled to two delegates. Every parish numbering more than fifty, and not more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to three delegates. Every parish numbering more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to four delegates. The delegation from each parish shall be entitled, on a division by Orders, to votes equal in number to the number of delegates to which said parish is by this section entitled. A certificate of the appointment of the delegates, signed by the Senior Warden or Clerk of the parish or vestry, or by the Minister of the parish, shall, before their admission, be laid before the Convention."

The Committee further find and recommend that, in the 6th line of Section 1, of Article X, after the word "ballot," be inserted the words, "as in the case of a division by orders," so that the clause shall read: "Each order choosing its own representatives by ballot, as in the case of a division by Orders, subject to the approval of the other Order."

The Committee further recommend that in the second line of Section 2, Article XI, the words "but one" be stricken out, so that the clause will read: "And each parish being entitled to vote, as in the case of a division by Orders." These are the only changes needed in the Constitution to adapt the same to the proposed amendment.

The Committee further report, that, as the constitutional amendments can only be *approved* in one Convention, and if approved cannot be finally adopted except at the next following annual Convention, changes in the Canons and Rules of Order

can more properly be considered when such constitutional amendments shall have been finally adopted. The following changes in the Canons and Rules of Order are all that will be necessary to adapt them also to the proposed constitutional amendment: In Canon 2, fourth line, the words "as provided for in Article III of the Constitution," be inserted in that place, so that the clause would read: "To send to the same one or more lay-delegates, as provided for in Article III of the Constitution, who shall be chosen by the parish," etc. This is the only change in the Canons required.

The ninth Rule of Order would need to be changed so as to read:

"SECTION 1. When votes or elections by Orders are called for, (by three clerical members, or by the lay delegations from three parishes,) each clergyman shall be entitled to one vote and each parish shall be entitled to votes equal in number to the number of lay-delegates to which such parish is constitutionally entitled, and there must be a concurrence of a majority of both Orders voting.

"SEC. 2. Three clerical members, or the lay-delegation present from three parishes, may call for the yeas and nays on any question. If the motion be adopted, the names of members voting yea and nay shall be entered on the minutes."

The Committee further report that a mature and careful consideration of the principles involved in the proposed change has only confirmed us in our previously expressed opinion in favor of it. We deem it not only expedient, but eminently proper and just. This is a question peculiarly of lay-representation among lay-delegates, and it does not disturb nor affect in any way the clerical representation.

1. And, first, we must say a word as to the unit of representation in the Convention. We maintain that this unit is the individual churchman; that is, in the full recognition of his duties—in other words, the communicant and not the parish. This Convention is entitled, on our Journal, "The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas," not merely of the parishes. The first article of the Constitution affirms that "this Church accedes to the General Constitution," etc. The second article declares "there shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese," etc. Now of what is the Diocesan Church composed? Of its individual members, or only parish organizations? Parishes are corporations and are diverse constituted by the several laws of the different States; and some Dioceses they are composed of only the pew owners of the church buildings, whether they be of this communion or any other; or whether they be Jews or even infidels. While from our social and civil necessities, and for the sake of public worship, the members of the Church gather in parishes, "Convention of the Church" is clearly of the members of the

Church in the parishes, and not of the parishes in the abstract as only legal corporations. Wherefore we maintain that the unit of representation in the "Convention of *the Church* in the Diocese" is the *individual* member of its communion—that is, the communicant.

An analogy has been claimed by some between the Dioceses in the General Convention and the parishes in the Diocesan Convention; that, as in the General Convention each Diocese has the right to send an equal number of deputies, therefore, in the Diocesan Convention, each parish should be entitled to an equal number. But there is no analogy in the cases. Each Diocese, whether large or small, is a fully equipped, organized, perfect and independent Church, with its Bishop, clergy and laity, which the parish is not, being only an aggregation of individual *laymen*, who are only a part of the Church in one Diocese. The Dioceses, as complete and independent churches, go into the General Convention, as our separate, independent and complete States go into the Senate, each with its equal rights, and upon its own perfect and separate independence. The parish is not a complete or perfect church; It is not independent, it is only a fraction of a whole Church; it is only a part of only one Order in a whole Church, and subject to the laws of that whole Church. The analogy claimed utterly fails.

But let us look at some other points.

2. A careful examination and analysis of the Convention Journal of the year 1873, or of any previous year, it seems to us, will confirm the views we here express. Take the Journal of 1873. On page 2, we find a list of twenty-two organized parishes in union with the Convention; their representation, in fact, composing the Convention of that year. Now, *our proposed amendment* would give the parishes there named the following representation: Atchison, with 69 communicants, would have 3 delegates; Fort Scott, with 55 communicants, would have 3 delegates; Lawrence, with 141 communicants, would have 4 delegates; Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, with 80 communicants, would have 3 delegates; Manhattan, with 68 communicants, would have 3 delegates; Topeka, with 85 communicants, would have 3 delegates—6 parishes, with 499 communicants, would have 19 delegates.

The sixteen smaller parishes having less than fifty communicants, would have two delegates each, or thirty-two in all, certainly still a large preponderance of the vote and of the representation. We fail to perceive how this is unjust to the small parishes. It certainly still leaves them control of the Convention. It may be said they will not all send delegates. Our answer is that we cannot make laws and ought not to, expecting these parishes to neglect their duty any more than the larger ones. If they are in union with the Convention, we must

expect them to be represented, and upon any vital question they all would be, and have a right to be, and we must legislate accordingly.

Now take *the present system*, which gives three delegates each parish, irrespective of size. For twenty-two parishes the total number of delegates would be sixty-six; a majority would be thirty four. Now take the twelve smaller parishes, with their present thirty-six delegates, which would have this absolute majority, and let us see how many communicants through their delegates would thus have the control of the Convention.

Taking the tabular list of the Journal of 1873, we find the following:

Baxter Springs has 6 communicants; Blue Rapids, 14 communicants; Oskaloosa, 7 communicants; Chetopa, 6 communicants; Girard, 8 communicants; Salina, 14 communicants; Wamego, 8 communicants; Troy, three communicants; Osage Mission, 3 communicants; Emporia, 29 communicants; Independence, 22 communicants; Leavenworth, (St. John's,) 138 communicants—total, 138.

It may be said that some of these parishes do not now send delegates. We answer as before. They are all organized. A year or two of prosperity would place them all in a condition to send delegates, and upon a question of general interest or vital moment, we should expect them all to be represented—should we not want them all to be, and they all would be.

Now the ten larger parishes left in the Diocese after the twelve are taken out, the ten larger parishes which have only a minority of the representation under our present system, have an aggregate of 641 communicants, as will appear from the tabular list on page 72 of the Journal of 1873.

Now concede to the brethren equal ability, equal Christian zeal and equal standing in all respects, it yet seems to us it is unjust that one hundred and thirty-eight communicants scattered through small parishes, should thus have the majority through their delegates over six hundred and fifty-one communicants of equal ability and character, located and concentrated in larger parishes.

3. But the concession of equal fitness above made is in reality be greatly qualified. The smaller parishes are generally *newer* parishes. They are made up chiefly of persons who have been members of other denominations, or perhaps of other denomination, and are not yet familiarized with the usages, and indeed with general spirit of our Church. They are, therefore peculiarly open to the influences of designing persons who wish to carry some pet schemes or projects through unfair or partial agency. While the larger parishes are generally the older, made up chiefly of persons born in the church, or long in it who have been gradually educated into our usages and spirit, and can act really more understandingly upon the matters which

coming before the convention affect the church. Therefore they ought to have more influence. Certainly they ought not to be overwhelmed by the new and less familiar element.

4. Again. These ten large parishes, as appears by the same Journal, are assessed for convention expenses \$330 of the total \$390; leaving \$60 only, or about \$5.00 per parish for the twelve remaining smaller parishes.

Now of these assessments the large parishes do not complain, but assume the majority of this pecuniary burden with cheerfulness, and as their christian duty under all circumstances.

But with it they most clearly have the right to equality of representation and to some control of the money thus raised and paid, and of assessments thus levied upon them. As at present represented, they have neither. The whole disposition of the affairs of the Convention, secular, religious and monied, is now placed within the control of 138 communicants, if they should choose to exercise it, who pay but \$60 of the Convention assessment, while 651 communicants, who pay \$330 assessment, are placed in the minority. This certainly is neither just nor right; nor can such a rule tend to promote harmony and Christian and brotherly feeling between the larger and smaller parishes.

5. Again. Take the amount contributed by the parishes of the Diocese for Diocesan Missions, during the year 1872-73. (*See Journal of 1873, p. 74.*) and it illustrates the same principle. The report of the Executive Missionary Committee for that year, shows that the whole amount raised by the parishes of the Diocese for Diocesan Missions during the Conventional year 1872-73, was \$819.47, and that of this amount the before-mentioned six larger parishes (Atchison, St. Paul's Leavenworth, Lawrence, Topeka, Fort Scott and Manhattan,) raised and paid \$617.87, while there were raised and paid for the same purpose, from all the smaller parishes of the Diocese, only \$201.60.

6. It is urged that, by the proposed amendment the general system of our Church's established legislation is interfered with. We do not see it. To us it is very plain, that it has no bearing whatever upon any elections, either of Standing Committees or deputies to the General Convention, or any appointment of officers or any official action, different from what may happen under present system. No system is perfect. Extreme cases may be supposed under any system. We may suppose or imagine *chimeras dire*, which can not, by any remote possibility actually exist, except in the imagination. The plan which we propose involves no such chimeras. It is simply a proposal as to the mode of voting in the *lay order* among themselves. *No election nor legislation* can be effected *without the concurrence of the clerical order*, and *vice versa*. Each order is equally responsible for all that is actually done. The chimeras which have been evoked in our debates, as to dreadful Standing Committees and Diocesan Deputies to the General Convention, can not exist,

for no such Committees or Deputies can be elected without the concurrence of the clerical order. The lay vote only is modified by the proposed change.

7. It is urged that, by the proposed amendment the vote on a division by orders is destroyed. This is simply absurd. The two orders will divide as heretofore, and the concurrence of a majority of both orders is necessary to any action. The only effect of our proposed plan is in the mode of making a majority of the *lay* order, the larger parishes having a little larger vote than the smaller ones.

8. It is urged that by the proposed amendment, the rector of a small parish comes into the Convention with less influence than the rector of a large parish. The true answer to this is, that each clergyman is, in the Convention, the peer of every other, by virtue of his order, and does have and will have, under the proposed as under the old system, equal rights with all his brethren; and his dignity and rights, as a clergyman, are not at all affected by the proposed change, which does not touch the clergy. But as to his *influence*, how is it now, under our *present system*, where each parish, *small* or *large*, has an equal number of delegates, viz: three. *Now*, the rectors of large parishes, whose work and influence are necessarily confined to only *one* parish, have not the influence of the missionaries, who generally have the rectorship of *two* or *three* of these small but fully empowered parishes. Our present system gives to the ministers of the smaller parishes the largest power and influence. The missionary at Emporia and Monmouth has two parishes behind him in the Convention, while the rector in Atchison has only one—just twice the power of personal influence. The missionary in Montgomery county, preaching in Independence, in Coffeyville, in Nodessa, etc., so soon as little parishes are formed at these points, comes into Convention with all this accumulated power, while the rector of St. Paul's, Leavenworth, can influence directly only one parish. The missionary in Marshall county, with the organized parishes at Blue Rapids and Center township, and more to be organized at other points, comes into Convention with two or three times the personal influence that the rector in Lawrence has with only one parish. So with the missionary on the Central Branch railroad; so with the missionary on the Kansas Pacific railway; so with the missionary in Clay County, etc. The missionary on the St. Joseph and Denver railroad, with little parishes at Troy, at Wathena, at Hiawatha, at Seneca, at Sabetha, and perhaps at Marysville, will have just six times the power that the rector in Topeka has with only his *one* parish. Is this just? Do these missionaries want such controlling power? Or, are they unwilling to give it up? Even in the extreme supposable case under our proposed amendment, when the one very largest supposable parish can balance the two very smallest supposable, still any missionary having these two smallest parishes,

and none will have less,) has an influence equal to the rector of the largest. Thus the rights of the clergy are in no wise disturbed, but rather equalized by the proposed change. Does not common fairness and justice demand a change such as will result from the proposed amendment?

9. It is urged that this amendment is an innovation upon the customs and rules of other and older Dioceses. To this we answer that, if our proposed change is right in itself, it is no argument against it that others have fallen into error and continued therein. All improvement must necessarily be the result of experience and of profiting by past errors. The change which we propose must necessarily and for obvious reasons be made in the early history of a Diocese if at all. But this is not an innovation; a similar and much more stringent rule is now, and for a few years has been, the Standing Canon law of the Diocese of Maine, and, we believe, of some other dioceses, and has even been recommended as a sound principle by the General Board of Missions, for our missionary jurisdictions. We are further advised, that many older Dioceses now regret that this, or some similar equitable and correct rule had not been firmly fixed and settled in their early history.

10. It may be further claimed that, by the present representation, the laymen of the smaller parishes are brought to Convention more numerously, and are stimulated in Church work. This suggestion, made as it was by an experienced and most highly esteemed clerical brother of our Committee, we recognize the full force of, and having recognized it, we regret that our brother still differs with us. The very amendment itself, as we propose it, recognizes this point and provides for it. It provides that no matter how small the parish, it shall have two delegates; and no matter how large the parish, its delegates shall not exceed four in number. This is a concession to the smaller parishes to remove all possible complaint, and promote general harmony.

11. This, too, removes another objection. It will be readily seen that when two of the very smallest parishes can balance by one of the very largest in a Diocese, there is no possible danger that a few larger parishes could acquire absolute control, or the number of smaller ones certainly, in any new Diocese, could be so much greater, that no such result could possibly be attained.

By thus giving no parishes less than two and none more than four delegates, we combine the two principles of representation by numbers, and representation by territory in the lay delegation, in analogy with the representation in Congress, of the Senate and House of Representatives. Under our present Church system, we are in the condition Congress would be in, with its House of Representatives abolished, and all legislation had

through the Senate—a position in civil affairs which *none* of us would conceive to be republican, and none of us would *submit* to as citizens.

12. Another evil exists in the system as it now is, of *which* we have no fear, with our present highly esteemed Bishop, *but* still it is an evil of the system, and that is, that the Bishop of the Diocese, as the almoner of the smaller and missionary parishes, would necessarily have an influence and a control, such as has been exercised in other Dioceses, over them, and, through them, of the Convention, which he would not have over larger and more independent parishes. While this influence would seldom be exercised, and while we have no fear nor complaint to make upon that score in our own Diocese, yet a system which leaves open the door for such an evil, is certainly not one for us blindly to adhere to. Rather let us, in the infancy of our Diocese, look to its future, and place our fundamental law upon just and equitable principles, and with reasonable and proper safeguards.

13. Finally, the object of our proposed amendment is simply to change our old and unfair system into one that is fair and just, *in this sole matter of the* representation of the laity. These small parishes often, because new, misinformed as to church matters, have been the special temptation of ecclesiastical politicians. To use them as they are, with their full power, or to make them for the sake of using them, has been too common. The older Dioceses have felt the evil, and have tried to remedy it, as, in some dioceses by not admitting a new parish into Convention, until it shall have a specified number of actual communicants, or have become self-supporting; and until this, to keep them simply as stations without a vote. Our plan is, to admit every parish on the moment of its organization, into the Convention, and *then* to begin to educate it in the church's legislation; but so to limit the representation, that the Church may be freed from the evils which have been so severely felt elsewhere. We wish to be *in* season, and by the justice and wisdom of our action now *in* this infancy of our Diocese to provide, by God's help, for its future of peace, and harmony, and usefulness.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. OTIS.

APPENDIX C.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Rev. THOS. G. CARVER, D. D., Rector.

Families, 63; individuals, 19.

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adults, 4; total, 31.

Confirmed, 19. Marriages, 2. Burials, 10.

Sunday School: Teachers, 15; scholars, 100; total, 115.

Communion alms.....	\$100 00
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Towards purchase of an organ.....	\$500 00
For support of poor in the parish.....	95 00
For Sunday school.....	40 00
For Diocesan missionary purposes, (assessment in 1873).....	52 55
For music in choir.....	100 00
	\$787 55
Objects without the parish:	
For missionary purposes among Indian tribes.....	\$32 00
Contribution to missionary fund.....	33 00
Conventional assessment for 1873 and 1874.....	40 00
For support of Bishop for 1873-74.....	52 10
	\$157 10
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$1,044 65

The undersigned took charge of this parish on Whitsunday last. Since then, notwithstanding the intense heat of summer, the congregations have been exceptionally good. Four hundred dollars have been raised and added to the organ fund of the church, and the outlook as to the future is in every way encouraging at present.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector.

Families, 56; individuals, 15; total, 71.

Baptisms: Infants 12; adults, 3; total, 15.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 5. Burials, 9.

Communicants: Last reported, 55; added, 17; total, 72—died or removed, 9; present number, 63.

Sunday school: Teachers and officers, 19; scholars, 120; total, 139.

Communion alms.....	\$47 70
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Insurance on church property.....	\$75 00
Doors for church.....	27 50
Clock for Sunday school.....	24 00
Christmas tree and decorations.....	98 00
Sunday school (chiefly raised by scholars).....	70 90
Church bell (raised by scholars of Sunday school).....	55 00
Miscellaneous church improvements.....	316 29
	\$666 69

Objects without the parish:

Bishop's fund.....	\$36 00
Convention assessment.....	30 00
Diocesan missions.....	51 00
Memphis sufferers.....	26 00
Home poor.....	61 00
	<u>\$204 00</u>

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$915 39

For its prosperity this parish is very largely indebted to the Ladies' Sewing Society. Since our last report they have raised \$536.15, of which they now have on hand \$130.50. The members of this Society deserve special commendation for their untiring activity and well-directed zeal in building up the material interests of the parish.

On the 20th day of October, 1873, I resigned the charge of St. Andrew's parish at Euphoria, in order that I might, on the same day, accept a call to become rector of this parish. I entered at once upon my new field of labor.

I have the comforting satisfaction of being able to report that we have made marked progress in our Sunday school, which has been larger and more active during the past year than ever before in the history of this parish. We can also truly say that we have, as a congregation, grown in grace, in unity of purpose and in devotion to our master's service. God grant that in the future we may fully realize the animating hopes of the present.

BROWN COUNTY.

Calvary Mission, Rev. Geo. Turner, Missionary.

Families, 6.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; total, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 6; present number, 6.

Objects without the parish:

Home missions.....	<u>5 00</u>
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See also Jackson County.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield, Rev. Wm. H. Hickox, Missionary.

Families, 22; individuals, 16; total, 38.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; total, 1.

Communicants, 20.

Communion alms..... 82 11

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Incidental expenses.....	<u>5 71</u>
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Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$87 82

The services of our church in this new field have been very well attended since I came here in July. We hold service and preach at three points in the south-east part of the county, and have good congregations at each. Arrangements have been made for services at Clay Center on my return from Convention. We have lately organized St. John's church, Wakefield, and the people are at work removing the ruins of the church which was blown down by a tornado on the 31st of June last, and we shall also place on the ground, this fall, all the additional stone, with the sand, that will be needed to rebuild the church a little larger than the original one. A most excellent and earnest spirit is manifested by all, and we hope, in the spring, to be able to put up the church, and also a parsonage, on a 20-acre glebe, the generous gift of two of the members of the vestry.

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 29 : individuals, 6 ; total, 35.

Baptisms : Infants, 3 ; adults, 1 ; total, 4.

Confirmed, 3. **Marriages**, 2. **Burials**, 3.

Communicants : Last reported, 46 ; added, 3 ; died or removed, 7 ; present number, 42.

Sunday school : Teachers, 6 ; scholars, 45 ; total, 51.

Communion alms..... \$34 75

Contributions—Objects within the parish :

Sunday school.....\$15 00

Other objects..... 7 00

————\$22 00

Objects without the parish :

Diocesan missions.....\$25 75

Church Missionary Society..... 9 00

Evangelical Education Society..... 3 00

Conventional assessment..... 11 00

————\$48 75

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$105 50

The past year has been to this parish one of great trial, because of the financial condition of the country. The population of our town has been diminished nearly one fourth, and a large number of our communicants have found it extremely difficult to meet the necessary expenses of their families. Consequently little could be obtained by way of contribution for church work at home or abroad. My labors have been chiefly confined to this parish. I have held services one Sunday at Ottawa, one at Cottonwood Falls, and three times in the country in Franklin County.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector.

Families, 9 ; individuals, 37 total, 12.

Baptisms : Infants, 1 ; adults, 1 ; total, 2.

Confirmed, 3. **Communicants**, 16.

Sunday school : Teachers, 4 ; scholars, 32 ; total, 36.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :

Receipts from table at fair, for ceiling room..... \$26 50

Rent of room..... 10 00

For Sunday school purposes..... 9 76

For stove, etc..... 14 50

Gift of Bishop—chancel..... 25 00

From abroad—Repairing and enlarging, and fencing grounds..... 100 00

Total contributions.....\$185 76

DAVIS COUNTY.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. C. REYNOLDS, D. D., Rector.

This parish, which had the Rev. M. Maury for its rector for two and a half years, became vacant by his resignation, on Easter Monday last. There were no regular services held within its limits from the time of Mr. Maury's resignation until the first Sunday in June, when I resumed the temporary charge of the parish. Having received no "list of adult persons and families within the cure," I am unable to give an accurate report at present.

The parish has lost during the year, not only its beloved and laborious rector, but, by removal and death, many of its most valuable members, and is weaker at present than it has been for several years past.

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DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence, Rev. John K. Dux, Rector.

Families, 61.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; Adults, 1; total, 19.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 4. Burials, 17.

Communicants: Last reported 141; added, 26; died or removed, 67; present number, 100

Sunday school: Teachers, 12; scholars, 89; total, 101.

Communion alms.....	\$75
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
Bills on church building, (estimated).....	\$500 00
Interest subscriptions.....	550 00
Raised by the ladies of the parish.....	645 90
Raised by the ladies of the Sunday school, less \$42 missionary contribution included below,.....	68 93
Christmas present to rector.....	40 00
	<u>\$1,808</u>
Objects without the parish:	
Diocesan missions, (of which by Sunday school \$42,).....	\$100 00
General missions.....	10 10
Mexican missions.....	13 45
Conventional assessment.....	55 00
Theological education.....	10 20
	<u>\$188</u>
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$2,006</u>

GREENWOOD AND HOWARD COUNTIES.

Rev. H. S. ARTHUR, Missionary at Cedarvale, and in Greenwood County

Families, 6; individuals, 4.

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 7; Added, 1; removed, 2; present number

My ministrations have been confined to Cedarvale and its vicinity, where I have officiated every Sunday when not prevented by some insurmountable obstacle, alternately at the village and at some place in the vicinity. A Sunday school has been established at a place where I hold service once in two weeks, is taught chiefly by a communicant in the church. But the school, not being under my control, I have not reported it. There also are several candidates for baptism and confirmation who, I trust, will soon be added to our communion, owing to my increasing infirmities of age, and the want of conveyance, I have not been able to instruct for baptism as rapidly as I hoped. During the summer and fall of 1873, at the Bishop's request, I also made two visits to Eureka, where I officiated ten Sundays, visiting the people during the week. Here also I baptized six (6) children, administered the Holy Communion, receiving one person to that sacrament. I have recently been solicited to repeat my visit to Eureka to baptize an infant, and also to preach at a settlement (Union Center) about midway between Eureka and Cedarvale; but do not feel myself equal to the journey.

I have made no collections for any purpose, for there is no money. All poor—struggling for the necessities of life, and to secure, if possible, their families

JACKSON COUNTY.

Christ Church, Netawaka, Rev. George Turner, Missionary.

Families, 7. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 6; added, 4; present number, 10.

In addition to my regular work in this field, which embraces Netawaka, Grand Prairie, Plum Creek and Wetmore, I have held Divine service monthly, for a number of months, at Sabetha, and occasionally at Hiawatha, my former field of labor. I find in each and all these places, a great need of Divine influence to counteract worldly conformity, and to inspire greater love for the church and spiritual things. Christianity is at a very low ebb, with all the advantages we possess as a church and people. I realize more fully that "Paul may plant and Apollos water, but God alone giveth the increase." "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

I fear that the destructiveness of the grasshoppers throughout this region of country, will greatly embarrass us in the prosecution of church work, especially church building. The farmers are, to a very great extent, filled with despair. There is a great loss. Our only hope is in the Lord.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa, Rev. T. A. TAGGART, Missionary.

Families, 4; individuals, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 1.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1.

Communicants, 10; last reported, 6; added, 4; died or removed, 3; present number, 7.

Sunday school: Teachers, 4; scholars, 25; total, 29.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Testimonial to organist.....	\$10 00
Objects without the parish:	
Traveling expenses.....	\$85 80
Episcopal assessment.....	4 50
Conventional assessment.....	5 00
Missionary collection (Diocese).....	3 40
	<hr/> \$98 70

Total contributions..... \$108 70

LABETTE AND NESSHO COUNTIES.

Grace Church, Parsons, and St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, Rev. B. F. MOWER, Missionary.

On the 1st of July I was sent by the Bishop to the town of Parsons. Soon after my reaching this place, a subscription was circulated among the people for the building of an Episcopal church, to cost \$2,500 or more. The necessary amount was soon made up, the plans sent by the Bishop, with a few alterations, were adopted, and the work of building has already commenced. I found here eight communicants, and four have since been added, making at the present time twelve communicants. There are fifteen families here connected with our church, and several other families, and many single persons, who prefer and who attend its services. The congregations have been always of good size, and an interest throughout has been shown, pleasant to witness. Here, I have administered the Communion once, and married one couple. The offertory at the Communion was \$1.90. In August there was a festival, held by the ladies, by which they made over \$100. This sum, after deducting the expenses, they gave to the vestry, to add to the sum collected for the building of the church. In the month of July, I was called to the rectorship of Grace church, Parsons.

The first Sunday in August I went, by invitation, to Osage Mission. There they had just purchased a building for a church, and moved it to the lot owned by them. The Rev. Mr. Bakewell kindly gave them seats for the church. At the Mission I found eight communicants, zealous and earnest. In July they had a festival and concert, by both of which they realized, for the expenses of fitting up

the church edifice, \$79. Soon after my visit to this point, the vestry of St. Peter's church, Osage Mission, called me to the rectorship of their church, to give them a monthly service. I propose to officiate Sunday mornings at the Mission, and Sunday afternoons at Parsons; this arrangement to continue until the church building here is ready to be occupied.

We are indebted to the trustees of the Congregational church at Parsons for the loan of their edifice for our services.

At both of the points under my charge, there is needed Communion plate, and at Parsons suitable books for the desk and pulpit. I hope some kind friend of our church may be led to furnish us with these.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City, Rev. J. M. KENDRICK, Rector.

Families, 73.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 2; total, 17.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 8. Burials, 10.

Communicants: Last reported, 80; added, 24; died or removed, 17; present number, 87.

Sunday school: Teachers 8; scholars, 100; total, 108.

Communion alms..... \$17 85

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Ladies' Society, on church debt..... \$1,011 30

Sunday school offerings, for furnishing chancel and Sunday school expenses..... 158 37

\$1,169 67

Objects without the parish:

Diocesan missions..... \$68 05

Domestic Committee, Board of Missions..... 13 04

Bishop's salary..... 15 80

\$96 89

\$1,284 41

This parish became vacant July 1st, 1874, by the resignation of its rector, the Rev. J. M. Kendrick. The vestry has made temporary arrangements with the Rev. John Woart, for one service each Lord's day. During the past year, the debts of the parish have been materially reduced.

GEO. W. NELLES, Senior Warden.

Church of St. John, Leavenworth City, Rev. J. N. LEE, Rector.

Families, 20; individuals, 10.

Baptisms: Infants, 26.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 8.

Communicants: Found in parish, 15; added, 16; died or removed, 7; present number, 24.

Sunday school: Teachers, 9; scholars, 60; total, 69.

Communion alms..... \$19 00

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Help Society for poor..... \$43 10

Ordinary Sunday school offerings..... 27 25

"Easter Church Improvement Fund," Sunday school..... 48 65

Ladies' Society..... 52 75

Contributed towards improvement of church,—lectern, \$41 85;

otherwise, about \$45..... 86 85

\$258 60

Objects without the parish:

Easter offerings, Diocesan missions..... \$3 00

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$280 60

The last year has been a most trying one to this young parish. The little flock has done nobly in coming to their engagements. The church and grounds have been greatly improved, (towards which some assistance was received from the East,) and the services and Sunday school have been maintained with a good degree of interest. But several contributors and helpers have removed; others have lost heavily, and the parish is not so strong financially, and not much stronger numerically, than a year ago. It is the intention, however, with God's help, to hold the ground we have, as far as possible, and advance if we can.

P. S.—I held a good many services during the year at the Home of the Friendless, with some gratifying results.

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrews' Church, Emporia, Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Missionary. (See Shawnee County, under the head of "Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.")

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary.

Families, 8.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; added, 5; died or removed, 8; present number, 11.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Mission publications for distribution..... \$4 50

Objects without the parish:

Foreign missions..... \$8 32

Home missions..... 2 08

Evangelical Education Society..... 5 00

Support of Episcopate..... 2 25

—————\$17 65

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$22 15

This parish includes the village of Waterville, where at present the larger part of the communicants reside. Occasional services are held there.

Mission at Irving, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary.

Families, 7.

Communicants: Added, 6; present number, 6.

Other places in Marshall county: Families, 8. Communicants, 5.

Zion Church, Centre township, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary.

Families, 21.

Baptisms: Infants, 4.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 9; added, 8; died or removed, 2; present number, 15.

Sunday school: Teachers, 3; scholars, 20; total, 23.

Communion alms..... \$7 40

Contributions: Objects within the parish:

Sunday school library..... \$11 60

Objects without the parish:

Foreign missions..... \$5 21

Domestic missions..... 2 66

Diocesan missions..... 6 50

Evangelical Education Society..... 5 00

—————\$19 37

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$38 37

The parish completed, early the present year, a small chapel, and on the 19th of April it was consecrated. Since then a service has been held each Sunday morning, excepting when there are five Sundays in a month. On the fifth Sunday morning no service is held. This is the nearest approach to regular service in Marshall county.

MITCHELL COUNTY.

Solomon Valley, near Beloit, Mr. Reese P. Kendall, lay-reader.

Communicants within radius of six miles, including one Moravian lady, 7.

Of the above, heads of families, 3; families brought up in church ways, and thereto attached, 5.

Individuals brought up in church, and those recently showing interest, not included in any of the above, 8.

(Three distinct classes in the above.)

Sent to Executive Missionary Committee, \$1. An additional small sum is promised, and may be paid in prior to report.

Sunday school very regular in attendance. Average, teachers and pupils, 40. Every Sunday at 10 A. M., all spring and summer thus far. Fair recitations and singing. Melodeon in fair weather. Papers: "Young Christian Soldier," weekly. Sunday school services, liturgical, "Goodrich." In addition, for songs, "Fresh Laurels." Responses and reading hearty. Library of one hundred volumes, contributed by St. Andrew's church, Pittsburg, is just now received. Received from Bishop, twenty-five Bibles and four testaments. Three Bibles have been given to worthy people under peculiar circumstances.

We have been heartily helped by Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists and Campbellites—all prejudice to the liturgy seemingly forgotten. In fact, I may say that we appear to have the good will of all the denominations around us.

No minister, Protestant Episcopal, has been in this valley. We have had lay-services, lectures and sermon-reading for over three years, occasionally; but quite regularly this spring and summer.

Drouth and locusts have not much affected us, apparently; but soon we lose two teachers, two leading singers, the melodeon and two of the confirmation class—all going to Illinois in a few days. The confirmation class consisted of four, with prospect of doubling numbers. The loss, together with general depression, may cause a temporary suspension until spring. For church services, the Bishop sent us thirty-two prayer books and one Norton's sermons.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. A. Beatty, rector.

Families, 17; individuals, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 3; total 16.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.

Communicants: Last reported, 23; added 12; died or removed, 3; present number, 32.

Sunday school: Teachers, 5, scholars, 27; total, 32.

Communion alms..... \$28 13

Contributions: Objects within the parish:

The church building.....\$1,222 30

Insurance on church property..... 30 00

Contingent expenses..... 163 40

Sunday school offerings..... 12 20

—————\$1,427 90

Objects without the parish:

Convention fund..... 5 00

Domestic missions..... 5 00

Foreign missions..... 5 00

—————\$15 00

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$1,471 03

The new church was opened for Divine worship on the 10th of August, 1873. On Sunday, May 3d, 1874, it was consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese, to the service of Almighty God.

The congregation is gaining in strength and earnestness, and although the drouth and locusts have greatly injured crops, and the people generally are much depressed in consequence, yet this parish has not yielded to the prevailing feeling of despondency.

Mission at Coffeyville, Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary.

Families, 8.

Confirmed, 4.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; Adults, 1; total, 6.

Communicants: Present number, 8.

Service is held in Coffeyville on the third Sunday of each month. No parish has yet been organized. The services are well attended, and lots are promised for a church and parsonage. The number of church people is yet small, but our ministrations have been kindly received by all denominations.

NEMAH COUNTY.

St. James's Mission, Seneca, Revs. C. HOLMES and GEO. TURNER, Missionaries.

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Communicants: Last reported 1; added, 2; present number, 3.

NEOSHO COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, Rev. B. F. MOWER, Rector.
(See Labette County.)

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, Rev. J. P. FUGETT, Rector.

I took charge of this parish April 10, 1873, and my resignation thereof is of Aug. 31, '74. Number of baptisms the past sixteen months, 12; funerals, 4; marriages, 1; confirmed, 7. Communicants, added, 12; removals and death, 8; present number, 13. The amount raised, (per cash and work given,) during the time named, for rector's salary, for current expenses, debts, repairing foundation of edifice, for gutters, spouts, painting exterior walls, calcimining interior ones, oiling seats, painting the wood-work of both the inside and outside of the building, for Sunday school library, papers and festival, for beautifying the grounds, and many other things not necessary to mention here, was about \$2,000. In sixteen months I was absent from my charge but once, and then to attend the Diocesan Convention. St. Paul's people are earnest and generous. May they be blessed with spiritual and temporal prosperity! I leave them with sincere regret.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ Church, Salina, Rev. T. B. DOWLEY, Missionary.

Families, 16; Individuals, 13.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; total, 10.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; added, 3; died or removed, 2; present number, 15.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For church building purposes.....	\$1,413 50
Ladies' Festival and Sewing Society.....	178 10
On the 13th of June, 1873, from the same.....	146 85
Draft from Miss Hiller's Sunday school class.....	175 00
Church festival, June 18th, 1874.....	87 45
From Rev. G. W. Watson, \$20; Dr. Washburn, \$2.50.....	22 50
From Dr. French, Ohio.....	5 00
	<hr/> \$2,028 40
Objects without the parish:	
Conventional assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan missions.....	2 35
	<hr/> \$7 35
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$2,035 75

I deemed it necessary to give a full statement of the finances of the parish up to the present time. Our time here has been but three months, yet I am well pleased with the anxious devotedness of the few to build up the house of God in their midst. We are very desirous to have the church consecrated, but we are still burdened with a debt of \$300, which, owing to the pressure of the times, we are not able to meet. Yet our faith is strong, that the merciful God, who has thus far raised up friends, will provide for our need in His own time.

N. B.—Six of the baptisms reported were by the Bishop when he visited the parish.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

(Grace Church, Topeka, Rev. J. BAKEWELL, Rector.

Families, 69: individuals, 24.	
Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 10; total, 25.	
Confirmed, 19. Marriages, 11. Burials, 19.	
Communicants: Last reported, 85; added, 19; died or removed, 24; present number, 80.	
Sunday School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 45; total, 51.	
Communion alms.....	\$48 50
Contributions—Objects within the parish:	
For Sunday school.....	\$18 00
For Convention assessment, 1872-73.....	20 00
For Convention assessment, 1873-74.....	60 00
For extending and improving Grace church.....	\$4,889 40
	<hr/> \$4,987 40
Objects without the parish:	
For the sufferers in Memphis.....	\$9 15
For Diocesan missions.....	120 00
For Bishop Vail's salary.....	43 12
For churches in Kansas.....	145 00
	<hr/> \$317 27
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$5,353 17

During the summer of this year, Grace church was extended twenty-five feet in the rear, including a recess chancel; so that it will now accommodate half as many more persons. It has been surmounted with a spire and entirely remodelled and upholstered inside. With its new windows, new plastering, open roof and pews, it makes, as the Bishop said in his Annual Address, "to all intents and purposes, a new building." The building being, in spite of grasshoppers and drouth, "free from all pecuniary debts or liabilities," was consecrated forever to the service of Almighty God, during the opening services of the annual Diocesan Convention, September 9th, 1874. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth, Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Missionary.

Families, 21. Baptisms: Infants, 1.
 Communicants: Last reported, 28; added, 1; present number, 29.
 Sunday school: Teachers, 6; scholars, 45; total, 51.

Communion alms.....	\$7 20
Contributions—Objects within the parish :	
Church improvement.....	\$189 85
Library.....	24 15
Sunday school.....	1 35
	<hr/> \$215 35
Objects without the parish :	
Diocesan missions.....	\$2 70
Foreign missions.....	2 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
	<hr/> \$9 70
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<hr/> \$232 25

Since last report, through the self-denying labors of our people, with the assistance of kind friends elsewhere, our little church has been plastered and furnished with stained glass windows. It is now a very neat, comfortable and churchly place of worship.

Besides officiating as above, and my duties as Chaplain, etc., of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, I officiated on alternate Sundays, from May to September inclusive, at St. Andrew's church, Emporia, Lyon County. Here I found about twenty communicants, and a considerable appreciation of the services of the Church, notwithstanding the terrible depression of the times, which has such a tendency in this country to drive people away from, instead of to, the Source of all Help. The Rev. Mr. Taggart is now officiating in this parish monthly, and with a settled clergyman, this church would prosper.

Rev. GEORGE D. HENDERSON, Post Chaplain, U. S. N., Portsmouth, N. H.

I am now stationed at this Navy Yard, with a prospect of remaining for some time, and am discharging the regular duties of my post, with occasional services elsewhere. I remain very truly and respectfully, yours,

GEORGE D. HENDERSON.

Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N. H., September, 1874.

Rev. D. O. KELLOGG, D. D., lately Professor in the State University,
Lawrence, Kansas.

I have been engaged in duty at the University since my last report, having had no missionary or parochial charge in connection with it. However, I have assisted the Rev. Mr. Dunn on a number of occasions, and especially supplied his pulpit on occasions of his absence from home. I have officiated at two weddings and one funeral within his cure, which services are probably embodied in his report. I supplied a vacancy at Atchison on Easter Sunday last, but recall no other professional work proper to come within this record. Having been invited to return to a former charge in Philadelphia, I accepted the invitation in June, in view of some urgent reasons of sickness in my father's family in Paris, and reluctantly sundered my canonical relations with you. Since that time I have been on duty in my new relations.

August, 1874.

D. O. KELLOGG.

Rev. J. M. KENDRICK, Personal Report.

Since resigning the parish of St. Paul, Leavenworth, on July 1, 1874, I have supplied services (to Sept. 1,) in Trinity parish, Columbus, Ohio, during the summer vacation of its rector, and expect to be engaged in the mission work of that parish during the winter. Respectfully yours,

Leavenworth, Kansas, Sept. 7, 1874.

J. M. KENDRICK.

Rev. J. H. LEE, Professor in the State-Agricultural College, Manhattan.

Since my last report I have performed the following clerical acts: Administered infant baptism twice; solemnized marriage twice; officiated at burials twice; administered Holy Communion, or assisted in administering Holy Communion, five times; held service, or preached, at Salina, five times, at Wamego three times, at Junction four times, at Manhattan thirteen times, at other places four times--total, 29.

J. H. LEE.

Rev. CHAS. REYNOLDS, D. D., Post Chaplain, U. S. A., Fort Riley, Kansas.

As chaplain in the United States Army, I respectfully report that I have been continued on duty at Fort Riley, and with but very few exceptions have had Divine service every Sunday in the garrison chapel, and special week-day services during the season of Lent. I have attended six funerals during the past year, and have baptized two children.

CHAS. REYNOLDS, *Post Chaplain, U. S. A.*

Rev. WM. VAUX, Post Chaplain, U. S. A., Benicia Barracks, California.

Baptisms, (children and infants,) 8; burials, 6; communicants, 17.

The above completes my ministerial record, in the Diocese of Kansas, (Fort Leavenworth,) from the last Convention, to August 25th, 1873, at which time my health had become so broken as to make a change necessary, and I was kindly ordered to California, and am stationed at Benicia Barracks. Though still an invalid, the change has been beneficial; but I have performed no special duties, except one marriage. Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM VAUX, *Chaplain, U. S. A.*

Benicia Barracks, California, August, 1874.

Rev. JOHN WOART, Post Chaplain, U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

I came to Kansas from the Military Department of Dakota, in November last, by an order from the Secretary of War, assigning me to duty at this Post. Soon after my arrival, I requested the Bishop of Minnesota, in whose Diocese my name had been enrolled for several years, to transfer my name to the Diocese of Kansas. The request was complied with, and I was received here. Since I reported to the Commander of the Department of the Missouri, I have baptized twelve children, performed the marriage service three times, and attended six funerals.

From the first Sunday in Advent to the first Sunday in May, I had service morning and night, in my Post Chapel, preaching in the afternoon in the guard house, which has a large number of men, most of whom are sent from other posts in this Department. Every Friday night I lectured in the soldiers' reading room upon American History.

I was absent, on leave, the whole of the month of May, visiting in Illinois. Whilst there, I officiated twice each Sunday, and a few times on the evenings of other days, and administered baptism and the Lord's Supper. I supplied the night service of my Post Chapel during my absence. Since my return I have not resumed the morning service, although I continued to preach in the guard house in the afternoon. The Lord's Supper was administered from November last until the following May, every month. Sixteen persons have joined in this service. A Sunday school, consisting of about fifty members, is taught by officers and ladies in the Post Chapel, on Sunday afternoon. I usually conduct the opening exercises.

Since the first day of July, I have officiated every Sunday morning at the Church of St. Paul, in the city of Leavenworth. That parish is destitute of a rector. I am still engaged there.

Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, September, 1874.

Place.	County.	Name of Churches or Missions.	Baptisms.			Communicants.			Sunday School.			Contributions.			Total.						
			Families.	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Unbaptized.	Members.	Lost.	Reported.	Admitted.	Transferred.	Number.	Teachers.		Scholars.	Total.	From all.	From local.	From other.	
Abilene	Abilene	Trinity	63	19	27	4	31	19	3	10	11	3	8	69	15	100	115	\$100.00	\$784.55	\$137.10	\$1,041.65
Blue Rapids	Marshall	St. Mark's	8	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	8.60	17.65	26.25	52.45
Burlington	Coffey	Ascension	29	6	3	1	4	3	2	46	3	1	1	42	6	45	51	34.75	22.00	48.75	70.75
Center Township	Howard	Mission	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	7.15
Center Township	Marshall	Zion	21	4	1	1	1	1	1	14	1	1	1	13	3	20	23	7.50	11.00	19.50	38.50
Chester	St. Paul's	St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Clear Fork	Marshall	Mission	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Coffeyville	Montgomery	Mission	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Elsworth	Elsworth	Holy Apostles	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Emporia	Lyon	St. Andrew's	20	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Farber	Greenwood	St. Thomas	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Ft. Leavenworth	Leavenworth	Post Chapel	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Ft. Riley	Bourbon	St. Andrew's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Fort Scott	Montgomery	St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Girard	Montgomery	Epiphany	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Independence	Davis	Covenant	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Junction City	Marshall	Trinity	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Irving	Douglas	Trinity	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Lawrence	Leavenworth	St. Paul	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. John	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Manhattan	Riley	St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Monmouth	Shawnee	Emmanuel	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Monmouth	Brown	Christ	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Netawaka	Jefferson	St. Mark's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Osakalosa	Saline	Christ	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Salina	Mitchell	Mission	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Solomon Valley	Shawnee	Grace	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Topeka	Chay	St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Wakarusa	Pottawatomie	St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Wamego	Brown	Calvary	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Wetmore	Sedgewick	St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Wichita	Wyandotte	St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
Wyandotte			726	448	108	30	108	100	41	98	115	143	151	1073	125	935	1000	\$389.80	\$13,020.32	\$1,135.18	\$15,154.39

* In stations unorganized or making no report. A number of the items above are from previous reports.

TREASURERS REPORT

Dr. JOHN BAKWELL, Treasurer, in account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.

1873	To balance	1874	By cash paid Bishop Ault for Journal of 1873	1873	By cash paid Bishop Ault for Journal of 1873
May 1	.....	\$477.00	July 11	.....	40.00
	ASSESSMENTS FOR 1873-4.		July 22	.....	40.00
	To cash from Grace Church, Topeka, (balance)	20.00	May 20	.....	100.00
Sept. 6	.....			Convention of 1873	100.00
	ASSESSMENTS FOR 1874-5.		1874		
June 1	To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Emporia	15.00	Feb. 18	By cash paid Bishop Ault, 1874	40.00
Nov. 6	from Trinity Church, Atchison	20.00	Sept. 10	By balance	40.00
1874					
May 1	Trinity Church, Lawrence	8.00			
Sept. 5	St. Mark's Church, Okaloosa	15.00			
" 7	Church of the Epiphany, Independence	5.00			
" 9	Grace Church, Topeka	5.00			
	Trinity Church, Lawrence	31.00			
	St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott	30.00			
	Christ Church, Salina	5.00			
	Church of the Ascension, Burlington	11.00			
	St. Paul's Church, Manhattan	20.00			
	Emmanuel Church, Monmouth	5.00			
	Trinity Church, Atchison	20.00			
	St. John's Church, Leavenworth	10.00			
	St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte	10.00			
		Saline 50			

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JOHN BAKERWELL, Treasurer, in account with Parochial Assessments for Support of Episcopate.							
July 1.....	To cash from Trinity Church, Atholson.....	\$42 00	1873 July 3.....	By cash paid Bishop of the Diocese.....	\$42 00		
Sept. 1.....	" " " "	9 50	Sept. 13....	By cash paid Bishop of the Diocese.....	9 50		
Aug. 5.....	" " St. Mark's, Oskaloosa.....	4 50	1874 July 15.....	By cash paid Bishop of the Diocese.....	66 41		
Apr. 10.....	" " Grace Church, Tuxedo.....	21 02	Sept. 9.....	By cash paid Bishop of the Diocese.....	78 30		
July 10.....	" " " "	22 10		By cash paid Bishop of the Diocese.....	14 75		
July 24.....	" " Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	23 26		By cash paid Bishop of the Diocese.....	8 75		
Sept. 9.....	" " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	36 00					
	" " Emmanuel Church, Moulmouth.....	9 00					
	" " Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	13 00					
	" " Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	15 80					
	" " Friends at Fort Leavenworth.....	12 50					
	" " St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	2 25					
	" " St. John's Church, Girard.....	8 75					
		\$220 31					\$220 31

The assessment for the support of the Episcopate for 1873-74, amounted (see *Journal* of 1873, pp. 20 and 78), to \$602.25, of which only \$220.31 were paid, as above. The balance still due the Bishop, of \$441.94, was remitted, and thus presented by him to the Diocese; that the Diocese might not be embarrassed by the debt in collecting the new and smaller assessments of the present year.

APPENDIX E.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

T. H. VAIL, Treasurer, with Contributions to Diocesan Missions.

1873-4.	Dr.	
To balance on hand from last account.....	\$287 19	
To amount omitted in the footings last year.....	1 65	
To cash from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	67 05	
" " St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	3 00	
" " St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	19 25	
" " St. John's Church, Wichita.....	3 95	
" " Trinity Church, Atchison.....	52 55	
" " Grace Church, Topeka.....	120 00	
" " Ascension Church, Burlington.....	25 75	
" " Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	57 85	
" " Zion Church, Centre Township.....	6 50	
" " Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	100 00	
" " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	51 00	
" " Church of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	4 15	
" " St. John's Mission, Wakefield, Clay County.....	8 81	
" " St. John's Church, Girard.....	1 35	
" " Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	1 00	
" " St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	3 40	
" " St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	2 12	
" " Church people at Beloit, Mitchell County.....	4 00	
" " Church people at Colaryale, Howard County.....	5 00	
" " Church people at Thayer, Montgomery County.....	2 00	
" " Church people at Hays City.....	5 00	
" " Rev. C. E. D. Griffith, from a friend in Georgia.....	2 00	
" " Little Mary Griffith.....	3 00	
" " Christ Church, Salina.....	2 55	
Amount actually received since last Convention.....	\$551 08	\$838 17
1873-4.	Cr.	
By cash paid, for Missionary services at Ottawa, to the Rev. J. P. Fugett.....	\$100 00	
" " for travelling expenses as Missionary, between Junction City and Parsons, to the Rev. M. Maury.....	65 10	
" " for travelling expenses to Monmouth, to the Rev. C. E. Butler.....	45 00	
" " towards Diocesan Record, as per order of the Executive Missionary Committee, to the Rev. J. M. Kendrick.....	15 00	
" " to the Rev. Wm. H. Hickey, Missionary in Clay County.....	50 00	
" " to the Rev. D. W. Cox, travelling expenses to Girard, as Missionary.....	20 00	
" " for travelling expenses to Monmouth and Emporia, to the Rev. C. E. Butler.....	55 80	
" " Rev. R. F. Mower, Missionary at Parsons, Labette County.....	100 00	
" " towards Diocesan Record, as per order of Executive Missionary Committee, to the Rev. J. M. Kendrick.....	53 80	
" " Rev. Wm. H. Hickey, on account of salary as Missionary in Clay County.....	50 00	
By balance on hand.....	287 52	\$838 17
Amount actually paid out since last Convention.....	\$554 40	

APPENDIX F.

DESOLATION IN KANSAS.

Letter to Eastern Friends on the needs of Kansas from the Visitation of Locusts.

TO MY CHRISTIAN BROTHERS AT THE EAST—*Dear Brethren:* On the 1st of this August I came from my home in Kansas to spend the month at the seaboard with two sick members of my family. I am to return to my Diocese next week. When I left, the whole Western country was suffering from a long and serious drouth, which extended over Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and even more severely still, in Kentucky. In our new State, and all the region west of the Missouri river, not more than one-third of the usual crop of corn was to be expected, and the prospect of our poor homestead and pre-emption settlers, without money and without provisions, except as these might be furnished by their scanty crops, were very discouraging. Yet these, the occasional trials everywhere of an agricultural country, we would have borne in silence.

But within the last two weeks a new and terrible calamity has been added to their previous trouble—the *plague of the locusts or grasshoppers*. Excepting the narrow strip of counties on the Eastern border, the whole State of Kansas is turned into a desert. Eight years ago, in 1866, our State was visited in a similar manner, but then in September, after the crops were secured. This year, coming down from Minnesota, and striking Western Iowa and Nebraska, these armies of destroyers have overrun our State on their way southward to Western Texas. Literally, as in the words of the prophet, “the land was as the Garden of Eden before them, behind them a desolate wilderness.”

Out of many letters, I give extracts from a few received within the last week. One correspondent from Topeka, the State capital, writes :

We have been having weather really awful for some days, with the hot winds blowing a gale. Everything is dried up, and what the heat has spared the grasshoppers have finished. The winter will be a hard one, indeed. Corn will have to be imported to this State.

In another letter from the same locality, it is said :

It has been an awful summer. The city is full of grasshoppers, and in fact the whole State. The crops are all ruined, and the trees stripped of their leaves and of their fruit. Everybody is despondent.

From another county, I have the following :

As to our condition, it is simply fearful. The chinch bugs (the pests in a dry season) took two-thirds of our wheat, badly damaging the small quantity they left.” In the greater part of the State, especially the Southern counties,

I thank God, the crop of winter wheat, harvested just before the drouth and the insects, was large and valuable, and is now the only resort. "Then (continues the writer,) this terrific drouth, and the scorching winds drying everything; and now the grasshoppers, in swarms as the locusts of old, are finishing everything, devouring root and branch. All is wiped away—corn, clover, vegetables, potatoes, trees, peaches—all gone, gone. The grass-field, that was so beautiful in its green and flowers, is bare and brown as in the dead of winter, not a leaf left; the young shrubbery is stripped, the trees are bare as in November, the peaches eaten up to the stone, the late potatoes stripped, all vegetables gone, the corn fields are full of bare and stripped stalks. It is a very picture of desolation. We are going immediately to cut all the hay we can gather, which, with our straw, must keep our stock, for corn and money are not. Mercifully, we have our remnant of wheat and rye for bread, a few early potatoes, our cow and our hens. That will give us some eggs and some butter, enough to keep us from starvation. But that is all.

I quote from one other letter, from the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, President of our Standing Committee, residing in a still different county, and at a long distance from the other correspondents:

A dire calamity has cast its shadow upon our State. The rural inhabitants see it, and as many as can are rushing East as fast as their impoverished teams can transport them. I look upon our condition as far more critical than in August, 1860, the year of the great drouth. The grasshoppers have spread already over three-fourths of the State, and have already devoured every green thing. They are marching on at a rapid pace, and will, I fear, visit the entire State, before corn, fruit and vegetables are past danger. This part of the State, (that is, all the central and western part of the Kansas Valley, the valley of the Republican, the valley of the Big Blue, the valley of the Solomon, the valley of the Saline, and the upper part of the Neosho Valley,) has been entirely cleaned of every green thing, even of our weeds, and the leaves of our forest trees. The Rev. Mr. Hickcox (our missionary in Clay county, recently sent there,) has been down to see me, and he is greatly distressed for his English colony. His people are stripped of everything, save a little wheat and oats. They need the comforting Gospel of Christ now more than ever; but who among them can pay one dollar towards the missionary's support? Our parishes must all suffer; so, I fear, must our college, and many of our parishes may be crippled to their extinction. What can be done to alleviate such widespread and dire distress?

Similar testimony I have from many other sections of the State, distant from the foregoing and from each other, all showing the wide-spread desolation. And when you think that thousands and tens of thousands of these suffering people are poor homesteaders and pre-emptioners, with all their little savings lost in these lost crops, with no food and no friends and no money and no means of help, you see the misery that is coming upon them, with the winter near by and unprovided for. The terrible disappointments, the loss of hope, the privations of fathers and mothers, the hunger and want of thousands of starving and half-clad little children—what shall we do to help them?

To provide food and clothing for these afflicted thousands, will require organized efforts, and communication with persons in authority. This will doubtless be attended to. The Governor of Kansas and other men of influence are already moving in this direction.

In the present appeal, I plead for the spiritual interest of my people, so closely involved in their temporal. Their means are destroyed. They cannot give, especially in the agricultural districts, as they have given. Shall our missionaries be recalled? Shall our little churches be shut up? In this day of their sorrow shall the preacher of consolation in Christ be withdrawn? We shall need hundreds and thousands of dollars more, through this year now upon us, than in any ordinary times—to fill up the diminished stipends of our self-denying clergy, to build our churches and to sustain our institutions.

Our college for girls will, I fear, not be self-supporting this year, as it was amply so last year; and it must not cease its noble work. Our parishes, whose resources are gone, must be aided through such a great providential disaster as this; and funds contributed for the building of churches will not only do the direct good of providing houses of prayer for needy worshippers, but will do also the great indirect good of furnishing employment to many, thus enabling them, in an honorable and manly way, to help their dependent families and themselves.

I want money immediately and all through this year, for these objects. Will our brethren consider our needs? Will the Bishops and the clergy and the laity of our churches at the East come to our help in this extraordinary emergency? I ask them, each in his own way, to help us. I ask them, without waiting for any more formal application, to send in their contributions directly to me, at Topeka, Kansas, and subject to my discretion; or through the Rev. Dr. Child, No. 708 Walnut street, Philadelphia; or through the Rev. Dr. Twing, No. 22 Bible House, New York; or the Rev. J. Dyer, No. 2 Bible House, New York, for the relief, in the directions so indicated, of the spiritual necessities of their stricken and suffering brethren in the Diocese which I have been appointed to oversee.

THOS. H. VAIL, *Bishop of Kansas.*

CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENTS.

To be paid at or before the Convention of 1875.

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$45 00
St. Andrew's Church, Burlington.....	10 00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	5 00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	30 00
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	5 00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	10 00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	45 00
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	55 00
St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	10 00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	20 00
Christ Church, Salina.....	5 00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	15 00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	5 00
Total.....	<u>\$285 00</u>

Assessments unpaid at or before the Convention of 1874—Still due.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	\$4 00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	10 00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25 00
Church of the St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	55 00
Total.....	<u>\$94 00</u>

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

_____ Church, _____ (Town or City.)
The Rev. _____, Rector or Minister.
Families. —; individuals (not included in families,) —.
Baptisms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —.
Confirmed, —. **Marriages,** —. **Burials,** —.
Communicants: Last reported, —; added, —; died or removed, —; present number, —.
Sunday School: Teachers, —; scholars, —.
Communion alms, \$—. **Contributions:** For objects within the parish (not including salary and current expenses,) \$—; for objects without the parish, \$—; total of communion alms and contributions, \$—.
 (Remarks embodying anything of interest in the parish.)
N. B.—Under the head of "Contributions," the several objects should be specified.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families, and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of the parish of _____ Church, (name of the city or town,) county of _____, State of Kansas, and by so doing do adopt the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese of Kansas.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the Annual meeting of the Parish (or, in case the Parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the Vestry) of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. B., who is a member of the said Parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord —.

(Signed.)

Or,

_____ Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of _____.

_____ Wardens.

Or,

_____ Minister of _____ Church.

NOTE—The names of all the delegates may be included in one certificate.

ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE FOR THE YEAR 1874-75.

(Being at the rate of 50 cents for each communicant in the Parochial Reports of
this Journal.)

Trinity Church, Atchison.....	834 50
St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	3 50
Ascension Church, Burlington.....	21 00
Mission, Cedarvale.....	3 00
Zion Church, Centre Township.....	7 50
St. Paul's Church, Chetopa.....	3 00
Mission, Clear Fork.....	2 00
Mission, Coffeyville.....	4 00
Church of Holy Apostles, Ellsworth.....	8 00
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	10 00
St. Thomas' Church, Eureka.....	10 00
Post Chapel, Fort Leavenworth.....	8 50
Post Chapel, Fort Riley.....	4 00
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	32 50
St. John's Church, Girard.....	8 00
Epiphany Church, Independence.....	16 00
Trinity Church, Irving.....	3 00
Covenant Church, Junction City.....	18 00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	50 00
St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	13 50
St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	12 00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	34 00
Mission, Mitchell County.....	3 50
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	14 50
Christ Church, Netawaka.....	5 00
St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	3 50
Christ Church, Salina.....	7 50
Grace Church, Topeka.....	16 00
St. John's Mission, Wakarusa.....	10 00
St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	4 00
Calvary Mission, Wetmore.....	3 00
St. John's Church, Wichita.....	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	19 50
Total.....	<u>\$453 50</u>

Secretary—Rev. JOHN K. DUNN, Lawrence.
Treasurer—Rev. JOHN BAKEWELL, Topeka.
Registrar—Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Topeka.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles Reynolds, D.D., president, Fort Riley : Rev. John K. Dunn, **secretary**, Lawrence : Rev. John Bakewell, Rev. J. N. Lee, Messrs. C. C. Kellam, F. W. Giles, J. W. Farnsworth, and Hon. A. G. Oil.

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**MATTERS REFERRED TO THE CONSIDERATION OF
THE NEXT CONVENTION IN 1875.**

THREE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

1. As to the time of the Annual Convention.

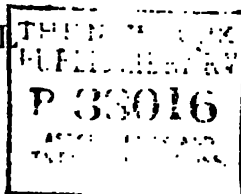
"ARTICLE II. SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday in June annually, at such place as the preceding Annual Convention shall have appointed." (See page 14.)

2. As to the time of notifying supplementary deputies to the General Convention.

"Strike out the words "at least," in the fourth line of Section 2. of Article X. and substitute the words "if possible." (See page 14.)

3. As to the ratio of lay representation in the Convention, and the whole question involved in the Majority and Minority Reports, published in the Appendix to this Journal. (See page 18.)

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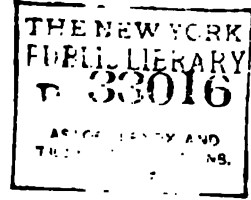
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**LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS
ORGANIZED PARISHES.**

Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Baxter Springs.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Blue Rapids.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
Zion Church.....	<i>Centre Township.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Chetopa.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Epiphany.....	<i>Independence.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
Church of St. John.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
St. John's Memorial Church.....	<i>Parsons.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Troy.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wakefield.</i>
St. Luke's Church.....	<i>Wamego.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandott.</i>

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	<i>Ellsworth.</i>
St. Thomas' Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Garnett.</i>
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	<i>Ottawa.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Leavenworth.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Riley.</i>

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kansas will be holden in the Chapel of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, on the first Wednesday in June, A. D. 1876. C. E. BUTLER, *Secretary.*

LIST OF THE CLERGY.

IN THE

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Topeka.

The Rev. John Bakewell, D. D.

The Rev. A. Beatty, missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R.

The Rev. Thomas Betts, rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.

The Rev. C. E. Butler, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka and Missionary at Monmouth.

The Rev. Thomas G. Carver, D. D., rector of Trinity church, Atchison.

The Rev. D. W. Cox, rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.

The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, rector of Christ church, Salina.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox, missionary at Wakefield.

The Rev. L. L. Holden, rector of the church of the Ascension, Burlington.

The Rev. Charles Holmes, missionary in Marshall county.

The Rev. J. H. Lee, rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.

The Rev. J. N. Lee, rector of St. John's church and school, Leavenworth.

The Rev. B. F. Mower, rector of St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, and St. Peter's, Osage Mission.

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.

The Rev. George Turner, missionary on Central Branch, U. P. R. R.

The Rev. William Vaux, Chaplain U. S. A., at Benicia Barracks, California.

The Rev. John Woart, chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Leavenworth.

The Rev. Paul Ziegler, rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

The Rev. John K. Dunn.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- Allen County*—Emmanuel Mission, Humboldt.
Anderson County—Grace Mission, Garnett.
Atchison County—Trinity church, Atchison, Rev. T. J. Carver, D. D., rector;
Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
Bourbon County—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector.
Brown County—Calvary mission, Hiawatha, ———, missionary.
Cherokee County—Mission at Columbus and Baxter Springs.
Cloud County—Clyde, ———, missionary; Concordia, ———, missionary.
Coffey County—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. L. L. Holden, rector.
Crawford County—St. John's church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Cox, rector.
Davis County—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. C. Reynolds,
D. D., rector.
Doniphan County—Trinity church, Troy, mission at Wathousa, ———, mis-
sionary; mission at White Cloud.
Douglas County—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. Paul Ziegler, rector.
Ellsworth County—Mission of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, ———, mis-
sionary.
Franklin County—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, ———, mission-
ary.
Greenwood County—Christ church, Eureka, ———, missionary.
Howard County—Cedar Vale, Rev. H. S. Attwater, missionary.
Jackson County—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
Jefferson County—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, ———, missionary.
Johnson County—Olathe, ———, missionary.
Lafayette County—Parsons, St. John's Memorial church, Rev. B. F. Mower,
rector.
Leavenworth County—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City, Rev. John
Woart, officiating; Church of St. John, South Leavenworth, Rev. J. N. Lee,
rector; Fort Leavenworth, Rev. John Woart, chaplain, U. S. A.; mission, Reno,
———, missionary.
Lyon County—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, ———, missionary.
Miami County—St. James' mission, Paola, ———, missionary.
Marshall County—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary,
mission, Barret's school house, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary; Zion Church, Cen-
tre township, Rev. C. Holmes, missionary.
Montgomery County—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, ———, mis-
sionary; missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Thayer, ———, missionary.
Nemaha County—Wetmore and Seneca, Rev. G. Turner, missionary.
Nosho County—Missions, Erie and Onga Mission, Rev. B. F. Mower, mis-
sionary.
Pottawatomie County—St. Luke's mission, Wamego, ———, missionary.
Riley County—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, Rev. J. H. Lee, rector; Fort
Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, chaplain, U. S. A.
Saline County—Christ church, Salina, Rev. T. H. Deaky, rector.
Sedgewick County—St. John's church, Wichita, Rev. A. Beatty, missionary.
Shawnee County—Grace church, Topeka, ———, rector; Emmanuel mis-
sion, Monmouth, Rev. C. E. Butler, missionary.
Wyandotte County—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, Rev. Thomas Rott,
rector.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

GRACE CHURCH, TOPEKA, KANSAS,)
WEDNESDAY, Sept. 8, 1875)

This being the time and place for holding the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy of the Diocese and lay-delegates of the parishes assembled in Grace Church at half past ten o'clock A. M. for the celebration of Divine worship.

Morning prayer was said to the lessons by the Rev. John Woart; the lessons were read by the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., the Rev. B. F. Mower saying from the Benedictus.

The Bishop took the Ante-Communion Service, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds reading the Epistle.

The Rev. J. H. Lee preached from St. John, 17, 20, 21 : "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Revs. John Woart and Charles Reynolds, DD.

The religious exercises being concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

On motion the Rev. C. E. Butler was elected Secretary pro tempore, and, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, as required by Canon I, when those present answered to their names.

The parishes were then called in order and the certificates of lay-delegates laid upon the Secretary's table, and referred to the following Committee on Qualification; viz: the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., and Messrs J. W. Farnsworth and William Lee.

The Convention took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 8, 1875. 3 o'clock P. M

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Committee on Qualifications reported as follows:

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that they have carefully examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons reported by him are canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention, in accordance with Section 2 of Art. III of the Constitution of this Diocese:

CLERGY

- Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., L. L. D. Bishop of the Diocese.*
 - The Rev. John Bakewell, D. D.
 - The Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R.*
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 - The Rev. Wm. Vaux, chaplain U. S. A., at Benicia, California.
 - The Rev. John Wourt, chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Leavenworth.
 - The Rev. Paul Ziegler, rector of Trinity Church, Lawrence.
- The following are not entitled to a seat or vote:
- The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.
 - The Rev. John K. Dunn.

LAITY.

We also find that the following are entitled to a seat and vote as lay delegates from their respective parishes:

- Trinity Church, Atchison*—A. G. Otis,* J. H. Stringfellow, J. V. Browning.
Christ Church, Salina—G. C. Probert, Frank Goodenow, R. T. Watson.
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth—Charles D. Bush,* H. Lyons.*
Trinity Church, Lawrence—S. Reynolds,* W. A. Harris,* W. C. Ransom.
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott—T. H. Annable, C. H. Haynes, G. A. Scovill.
Grace Church, Topeka—J. W. Farnsworth,* F. W. Giles,* S. W. Stone.*
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte—Fred. Speck, John Cruse.
St. John's Church, Leavenworth—George Burrows.*
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan—William Lee.*
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission—S. S. Warner, B. F. Mower.
St. John's Church, Girard—W. H. Warner, C. D. Sayres, J. B. Barker.
Zion Church, Centre Township—Allen Reed.
St. John's Church, Wakefield—A. Brown,* J. H. Young.
St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons—J. Barton, W. H. Deardoff.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES REYNOLDS,
 J. W. FARNSWORTH,
 WILLIAM LEE.

Committee on Qualifications.

NOTE—Of the above named Clergy and Laity those present during the sessions of the Convention are marked (*).

The report having been approved by the Convention the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. C. E. Butler, was unanimously elected, and appointed the Rev. D. W. Cox as his assistant.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees:

On Admission of New Parishes—Revs. L. L. Holden and W. H. Hickcox, and Major C. W. Ransom.

On Constitution and Canons—Revs. C. Reynolds, D. D., John Woart and J. H. Lee and Messrs. J. H. Stringfellow and William Lee.

On Diocesan Institutions—Revs. A. Beatty, B. F. Mower & Paul Ziegler, and Messrs. F. W. Giles and Samuel Reynolds.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. C. E. Butler and Mr. Chas. D. Bush.

On Finance—Rev. J. N. Lee, and Messrs. S. W. Stone and J. W. Farnsworth.

The Committee on Qualifications made an additional report certifying to the election of Messrs B. L. Kingsbury and H. McAllister as lay delegates from Ascencion Church, Burlington.

The report having been approved the Secretary called the roll.

The Rev. John Bakewell, D. D., Treasurer, being absent, Mr. J. W. Farnsworth was elected Treasurer *pro tem*.

The Registrar reported having received during the past year the following documents: One copy Diocesan Record, Convention Journal of 1874; one each, Journals of 1875 of Dioceses of Delaware, Kentucky, Mississippi and Tennessee: Constitution and Canons Diocese of Illinois.

The Standing Committee asked for further time to report.

The Chair reported on behalf of the Executive Missionary Committee.

The Chair also reported verbally for Trustees of Diocesan Institutions.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported having found, as referred to this Convention three proposed amendments to the Constitution, as follows:

1. To Article II, Section 1., changing the time of holding Diocesan Convention from second Wednesday in September to the first Wednesday in June.
2. To Article X, Section 2, striking out the words, "at least," and substituting "if possible," in fourth line of said section.
3. To Article III, Section 3, making the number of communicants in a parish the basis of lay representation in Convention.

Committee on admission of new parishes reported favorably as to St. John's Church, Wakefield; St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, and Zion Church, Centre Township, and on motion said parishes were admitted to union with Con-

The debate on parish representation deferred from

last Convention was opened by the introduction by Dr. Stringfellow, of Atchison, of the proposed amendment found in the minority report of last year, on page 69 of Journal of 1874, as follows :

"Every parish in union with this Convention shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay-delegate, or lay-delegates, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry. Every parish numbering fifty or less communicants, as by annual parochial report next preceding, shall be entitled to two delegates. Every parish numbering more than fifty, and not more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to three delegates. Every parish numbering more than one hundred communicants shall be entitled to four delegates. The delegation from each parish shall be entitled, on a division by Orders, to votes equal in number to the number of delegates to which said parish is by this section entitled. A certificate of the appointment of the delegates, signed by the Senior Warden or Clerk of the parish or vestry, or by the Minister of the parish, shall, before their admission, be laid before the Convention."

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds thereupon offered as a substitute for the resolution of Dr. Stringfellow the following, being a part of the resolution offered in the majority report of last year, (See Journal of 1874, page 68 :) :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to alter Section 3, Article III. of the Constitution of this Diocese.

The order of business was then suspended to allow the Rev. J. N. Lee to offer the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That clergy from other Dioceses and candidates for orders be invited to seats in this Convention.

Whereupon the Rev. J. E. Martin, of Missouri took his seat in Convention.

Discussion was then renewed on the question of representation. Pending the debate a motion was made and adopted, "that when we adjourn this evening, it be until 8:30 A. M., to-morrow, and that the subject now under consideration be the order of the day at 9:30."

On motion Convention adjourned to 7:45. P. M.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 8, 7:45 P. M.

Convention was called to order and after prayers the Bishop delivered his Annual Address.

At the conclusion of the Address the Rev. Mr. Beatty moved that a committee be appointed to take into consideration those portions of it having reference to the late Bishop Lee of Iowa, and to Mr. Robert H. Ives, of Rhode Island.

The Revs. A. Beatty, Dr. Reynolds and Chaplain Woart were appointed as such committee.

The Bishop being requested to read the sketch of the life and character of the Right Rev. Henry W. Lee, contained in the sermon delivered by him at the funeral of the late Bishop of Iowa, did so.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Woart this sketch was ordered to be inserted in the Convention Journal for permanent preservation in such place and manner as the Bishop may deem best.

The Convention adjourned until 8:30 A. M. Thursday.

THURSDAY, Sept. 9th. 1875. 8:30 A. M.

The Convention reassembled.

Morning prayer was said by the Revs. J. N. Lee and Paul Ziegler, the Bishop closing with Collect and Benediction.

The Chair called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Qualifications presented an additional report.

The roll was then called.

The order of business for the day was taken up and discussed. At 11 o'clock the order of business, which was the election of officers, was suspended to allow Dr. Stringfellow time to conclude his remarks. After some further discussion, the Rev. A. Beatty offered the following substitute for the one then under discussion :

Resolved, That this Convention is not at present prepared to take decided action on the merits of a question so grave as this under consideration, and that the subject, be, therefore, indefinitely postponed.

Resolution adopted.

The Rev. C. E. Butler offered the following amendment to Canon II:

After the words, "not exceeding three," insert "who shall be communicants of this Church," and in the accompanying form of lay delegates' certificate after the clause, "who is a member of said parish," insert the words, "and a communicant of this Church."

The amendment was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Convention adjourned to 3 P. M.

THURSDAY, Sept. 9, 1875, 3 P. M.

The Convention reassembled, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Treasurer's report was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany reported as follows:

The Visitors and Examiners of Bethany College respectfully report that two members of the Committee were in attendance at the final examinations, and also the Commencement exercises, which closed on the 23d of June. They have the same gratifying testimony to give, as in former reports, of the excellent management and high standing of the Institution. The examination of the classes in the Preparatory Department, and in the Junior and Middle years were highly satisfactory to the committee, and reflected credit on both teachers and pupils. The graduating class were examined in the studies of the senior year as follows: Mental Philosophy, Evidences of Christianity, English Literature, Horace, Astronomy, Guizot's History of Civilization, Constitutional Law, Logic, and Moral Philosophy. In all these subjects the class gave evidence of careful study, and diligent application. Their essays were well written and gracefully delivered, and having thus passed successfully through their College course, received on Commencement Day, from the hands of their beloved and honored President, the diploma of the Institution. The class consisted of three young and faithful daughters of the Church. There were some circumstances connected with their graduation of peculiar interest. They had individually endeared themselves to the officers and students of the Institution. Two of them had been connected with it for nearly ten years, passing from class to class until they had secured its highest honors—the third being a daughter of one of the members of this Committee who cheerfully bears his testimony to its excellence in all that pertains to the higher education and intellectual training of Christian womanhood, and who for the last ten years has been present at nearly all its closing exercises. This was also the first graduating class since the Insti-

tution was organized as a College, and the first to receive their diplomas in the very beautiful Memorial Chapel, named in honor of that eminently generous servant of Christ, John D. Wolfe—the first, in the Providence of God, of many a class, to go out from that sacred place in the ages to come, carrying with them the light and the love which beamed upon them there, to adorn and bless their various and distant homes. These were the first fruits of his sanctified benevolence, and harvest after harvest is to follow, as the Holy Spirit testifies of the sainted dead, “Their works do follow them.”

The Committee cannot speak too highly of the success of the department of vocal and instrumental music. The excellence of the instruction was evident in the exercises at the Commencement and at the Anniversary Concert, in delicacy of touch and facility of expression, and in the well trained voices of the students.

We cannot conclude this report without giving expression to our appreciation of the long and valuable services rendered the Institution by Mrs. R. S. Baldwin, teacher of Natural Science and Mathematics, and House Mother. Faithful in the discharge of her duties as an instructor, kind and considerate in her home relations to the students, exemplary in her Christian life, her influence for good in the school and College has been very great.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BEATTY, *On Behalf of Committee.*

The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee has held five meetings since the last Diocesan Convention. The first meeting was held at Topeka, September 24th, 1874, at which the Committee organized by electing the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., President, and the Rev. J. K. Dunn, Secretary. The Committee at this meeting certified to the Bishop of the Diocese, in accordance with Canon VI, Title 2, of the Digest, that the Rev. Thompson L. Smith, a presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church and canonically resident in this diocese, had been admitted into a religious body not in communion with this Church. The second meeting of the Committee was held at Topeka, March 8th, 1875, when consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Jaggard as Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio. At the same meeting the Committee refused their consent to the consecration of Dr. DeKoven, Bishop elect of the Diocese of Illinois. At the same meeting the Committee recommended to the Bishop Mr. Eli Sperry as a candidate for Deacon's Orders. The third meeting of the Committee was held at Topeka, May 14th, 1875, when the Committee filled the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. J. K. Dunn, by electing the Rev. Dr. Carver, of Atchison, as a member of said Committee. The Rev. J. N. Lee, of Leavenworth, was, at the same meeting, appointed Secretary of the Standing Committee. The fourth meeting of the Committee was held at Topeka, June 23d, 1875, when the Committee gave their consent to the consecration of the Rev. J. Eccleston, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa. The Committee also gave their consent to the consecration of the Rev. J. S. Shipman, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Pon du Lac. The fifth meeting of the Committee was held at Topeka, September 8th, 1875, when the testimonials of the Rev. Charles Holmes, Deacon, were signed, whereby he was commended to the Bishop for Priest's Orders.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. REYNOLDS, *President of Standing Committee.*



The hour for the order of the day prescribed by the Rules of Order having arrived the Convention proceeded to the election of officers.

Mr. J. W. Farnsworth was elected Treasurer.

The Rev. D. W. Cox was elected Registrar.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders for members of the Standing Committee, the clergy and laity dividing into separate houses.

The clergy chose, and the laity approved, the following clerical members:

Revs. Charles. Reynolds, D. D., J. N. Lee, A. Beatty, C. E. Butler.

The laity in like manner chose, and the clergy approved, the following lay members:

Messrs. F. W. Giles, C. C. Kellam, J. W. Farnsworth, S. W. Stone.

The Convention being reassembled, these elections were ratified by the Convention.

On motion the Chair appointed the Rev. W. H. Hickcox and Dr. J. H. Stringfellow a committee to make nominations for Executive Missionary Committee.

The Committee reported the following, who were elected:

Clerical.—Revs. John Bakewell, D. D., Thomas G. Carver, D. D., Paul Ziegler and L. L. Holden.

Lay.—Messrs. S. W. Stone, George Geiger, J. W. Farnsworth, C. W. Babcock.

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners consisting of the Revs. A. Beatty, J. H. Lee, T. G. Carver, D. D. and D. W. Cox, and Messrs. C. C. Kellam, J. H. Stringfellow and L. J. Hopkins was re-elected and enlarged by the addition of the following names: Revs. Messrs. Ziegler, Holmes, and Woart, and Mr. B. F. Kingsbury.

The Finance Committee asked for further time.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then presented the following report:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report that they have considered the amendment to Canon II, offered by Rev. C. E. Butler, making it obligatory upon parishes to elect their lay delegates from the communicants of the parish, and are unanimously of the opinion that it is inexpedient to adopt the proposed amendment at present.

A motion was then made for the appointment of a committee to take into consideration the proposed amendment and the report thereupon of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, and report to the next Convention.

The chair appointed as said Committee the Revs. C. E. Butler and Chas Holmes and Dr. J. H. Stringfellow.

The committee appointed to take action on that portion of the Bishop's address having reference to the decease of the Rt. Rev. H. W. Lee, D. D. late Bishop of Iowa, and of Mr. Robert H. Ives of Rhode Island, brought in the following reports which were unanimously adopted:

The Committee appointed by the Convention to consider that portion of the Episcopal Address which referred to the death of the late Bishop of Iowa, the Rt. Rev. H. W. Lee, D. D. respectfully report, that they, and they believe, all the members of the Convention, listened with deep and tender interest last evening to the address of the Bishop of the Diocese, upon the subject of the life, character and services in the Church, of the late Bishop of Iowa, and they offer the following Resolutions for adoption by this Convention.

Resolved, That the death of the Rt. Rev. H. W. Lee, D. D., is deemed by us, not only a loss to the Diocese of Iowa, over which he presided so wisely, and amongst all the people of which he labored so faithfully and so successfully, but his death will long be greatly regretted throughout the Church at large.

Resolved, That the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Kansas have reason to express much heartfelt interest in relation to this event, so unexpected to all—for Bishop Lee served them most faithfully as their Provisional Bishop for four years, immediately preceding the election of our present Diocesan, endearing himself to many who now experience renewed feelings of gratitude for his prudent care, and fervent zeal in their behalf.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded by the Secretary of this Convention, to the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese of Iowa, and also to the surviving family of our beloved and lamented Friend and Father in God.

In reference to the decease of Mr. Ives, we offer the following Preamble and Resolutions:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Him "who doeth all things well," to remove by death a liberal patron of this Diocese, Mr. Robert H. Ives of Rhode Island,

Resolved, That we read upon this day's journal the following

MINUTE:

In the death of Mr. Robert H. Ives, our young and struggling Diocese has lost a liberal benefactor and the Church at large a loyal and most exemplary and loving son.

Resolved, That the Bishop of the Diocese be requested to make known our action to the family of our departed friend and brother.

ARCHIBALD BEATTY.

CHAS. REYNOLDS.

JOHN WOART.

Committee.

The Committee on Diocesan Institution reported that they find no business on which to take action and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the provision in the rules of order for the appointment of a Committee on Diocesan Institutions be rescinded.

Report adopted and rules of order changed accordingly.

The Committee on Finance then read a report. The Convention requested said committee to reconsider their report, and ordered that the assessment of each parish be given in detail as well as in toto.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds then offered the following:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to report to the next Convention on the propriety of endeavoring to increase our endowment fund, in order to provide a more ample support for the Diocesan, but if this plan is not feasible, to mature some plan which will be efficient.

The resolution was adopted and the Chair appointed as a committee, Revs. Dr. Reynolds, D. W. Cox, and Paul Zeigler, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, A. G. Otis, J. C. Horton and J. L. Hopkins.

On motion the Convention ordered that the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese be published as an appendix to this Journal, and that additional separate copies be also printed for circulation.

An amendment to Canon V inserting the word *Rectors* before "Church Wardens," was presented, referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, recommended by said Committee and adopted by the Convention.

On motion it was ordered that in our rules of order a committee on the State of the Church be inserted in the place of the Committee on Diocesan Institutions.

The Finance Committee then presented a resolution to the effect that when parishes did not report their present number of communicants their assessment should be on the basis of the last report. Adopted.

The following resolution was offered and adopted :

Resolved, That the Rector and Wardens of the parish in which the Convention is held be appointed a Committee to confer with railroad officials as to reduction of rates for members of this Convention.

It was also,

Resolved, That a Committee be annually appointed to arrange for suitable music during the next session of the Convention.

The chair appointed as a committee Revs. J. N. Lee and D. W. Cox and Mr. Samuel Reynolds.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the Wardens, Vestry and members of Grace Parish, in this city, for their kind hospitality during the session, and also to the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad for reducing its rates of fare to delegates.

Convention adjourned until Friday at 8:30 A. M.

FRIDAY, Sept. 10. 1875, 8:30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Revs. A. Beatty and C. Butler, after which the Bishop took the Chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The roll call was omitted.

The Finance Committee made the following report which was adopted.

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report that we find on examination the report of the Treasurer correct.

We note with regret a deficit in the account of several parishes with the Convention fund amounting in the aggregate to 1872-3, \$5; 1873-4, \$84; 1874-5, \$162.83; Total \$251.83, as follows:

	1872-3	1873-4	1874-5	Total
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	5	30	45	130
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....			45	45
St. Andrews Church, Emporia.....		10	5	15
Grace Church, Topeka			45	45
Emanuel Church, Monmouth.....			5	5
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....		24	10	34
St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....			2 83	2 83
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....			5	5
	\$5	\$84	\$162 83	\$251 83

commend the passage of the following resolution :

That in pursuance of the action of the Convention of yesterday, sums be assessed upon the several parishes of the Diocese, for the year 1875-6, payable at or before the Annual Convention:

	Convention Fund.	Support of Episcopate	Total.
City Church.....	\$45	\$34 50	\$79 50
St. Marks.....		5	5
Ascension.....	10	22	32
Mission.....		3	3
Ship, Marshall County, Zion Church.....	5	8 50	13 50
Pauls.....		3	3
Marshall County Mission.....		2	2
Montgomery County Mission.....		4	4
St. Apostles.....		8	8
Andrews.....	5	10	15
Thomas.....		10	10
North Post Chapel.....	5	8 50	13 50
West Chapel.....	5	4	9
Andrews.....	30	29	59
John's.....	5	8	13
Epiphany.....	5	16	21
St. Covenant.....	10	11	21
St. Mary.....		2	2
City.....	45	50	95
Church of St. Paul.....	45	43 50	\$88 50
St. Johns.....	10	7	17
St. Paul.....	20	25	45
Immanuel.....	5	15	20
Christ.....	5	5	10
St. Marks.....		3 50	3 50
Church.....	5	12 50	17 50
St. Church.....	45	40	85
St. John's.....	5	10	15
St. Paul's.....	5	11	16
John's Memorial Church.....	5	11 50	16 50
St. St. Peters.....	5	9 50	14 50
.....	\$325	\$432 00	\$757 00

which is respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE,

J. W. FARNSWORTH,

S. W. STONE.

Committee.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Convention hold its next regular session in Topeka, at the Chapel of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

It was also

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be a Committee to publish five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The Treasurer was then authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the General Conyention any assessments due from this Convention.

The minutes of this morning were read and approved, and the business of the Convention being concluded, after devotional exercises conducted by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL, *President*.

C. E. BUTLER, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

One of the pleasant things, my brethren, in connexion with our last Annual Convention, was the consecration, on the morning just before the formal opening of our session, of this church in which we are assembled to-day. May the Holy Spirit, whose blessing was then invoked upon all Services ever afterwards to be observed in this House upon which the Thrice-Holy name was then recorded, rest upon us in our gathering here, to direct our counsels, and to sanctify our motives, and to control all our thoughts and words and doings to the Divine glory!

The remainder of that month of September I spent in Topeka, occasionally visiting Lawrence, and with the Secretary preparing the Journal for the press. I was also occupied in arranging for the opening of the College, in co-operation with our efficient Chaplain and Bursar and the excellent House-Mother. There was much of other work to be done, filling up all my time, before I could leave the Diocese for the General Convention, and for other agency at the East in behalf of our Diocesan interests.

In Grace Church, Topeka, on the afternoon of Sunday, September 20th, I baptized three (3) infants, one of them the son of the Rector. On Sunday the 27th, I preached in the same Church. It was to me a very sad Sunday, for I had received a telegraphic dispatch on the previous afternoon, announcing the death, and inviting me to preach at the funeral of my dear friend of many years, the Rt. Rev. Henry W. Lee, D. D., Bishop of Iowa.

On the Tuesday following, September 29th, at Davenport, Iowa, in the Bishop's Church, as he called it, or the Cathedral, I attended the obsequies of my departed and lamented friend, preaching the Sermon and committing his body to the ground. The rest of the services were conducted by the Bishop of Minnesota, and the Bishop of Missouri, who were also present on the sorrowful occasion.

Bishop Lee was for four years, prior to my consecration, the Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas. It will be the sad privilege of this Convention to take some order in reference to the loss of one, for so long a time so closely related to you.

In the course of my sermon preached at his Burial, I gave a sketch of the leading facts in his life, and an analysis of the prominent points in his character, which I should be glad, if an opportunity be allowed, to bring before this body.* One of my own dearest friends, a clear headed thinker, of rare judgment, of a warm loving nature, eminently social, of broad charity and of singular purity of heart, a noble standard-bearer in "the sacramental host of God's elect," has entered into rest.

On the 1st of October I received from Bishop Robertson of Missouri his official acceptance of the transfer to his jurisdiction of the Rev. J. P. Fugett, who had resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, and had accepted a parish in Jefferson City within the Diocese of Missouri. On the 12th of October, in the City of New York, I accepted the transfer from Bishop Robertson of the Rev. Thomas Betts of his jurisdiction, who had accepted the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church in Wyandotte in this Diocese.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Through the month of October, our last General Convention held its sessions in the city of New York. I do not know that anything was really accomplished in the way of legislation, for the suppression of the doctrinal system known as Ritualism, and

*In compliance with the request of the Convention, as recorded in the Journal, the sketch of the life and character of Bishop Lee, referred to above, was read before that body, and is, as further requested by a later vote, appended as a note to his address, and published, for permanent preservation.

exemplified in the new modes and practices in conducting our services in so many of the Churches of our communion.

It is very difficult to frame canons to restrain dishonest or disingenuous or disloyal men, without at the same time impairing the proper liberty of candid and truthful and loyal men. It remains to be seen how far the Canon that was adopted will be effective if brought to the test of a trial.

There was, however, a very decided expression of opinion, by the passing of the Canon, and through the debates and conferences, in condemnation of the most extreme views and practices of the party of the Innovators. And that expression has been repeated, since the adjournment of the Convention, by the Standing Committees in a large majority of the Dioceses, in the refusal to consent to the consecration as Bishop of a very devoted, talented and able man, who, from certain expressions made by him, and, although explained, never taken back, in the General Convention of 1871, is recognized as the representative of those extreme ideas.

After all, I doubt, whether legislation can ever fully meet the difficulty in a Church so comprehensive as ours. There are extreme views which may be properly tolerated, and which the Church may, with equal propriety, think not best to put forward into the highest places of official trust and influence. In certain matters of opinion, on subjects relatively non-essential, and especially on those subjects of philosophy or of biblical interpretation, about which the most opinionated, like all others, really know nothing, the Church, like the world, has always moved in circles. While the few essential facts of the Gospel embodied in the immutable Catholic creeds remain unchanged, certain views have their run. There is a fashion in opinions as in dress. The led or leadable thinkers follow at first hesitatingly, then enthusiastically, and the mass of the unthinking fall in, and the view takes its day. The tide has its flow upon this continent. Then comes the reaction. The view loses its popularity. The tide ebbs—another, perhaps opposite, view gains ground. Its partizans multiply, and it takes its turn in carrying the public sympathy. The tide has its flow upon the other continent. So it is with the philosophies and the interpretations of men, always

disputable, always mutable. While the few central facts and institutions of the Gospel—its constant and cardinal truths—stand always the same, without periodicity and without variableness, like that one central spot in the grand tropical ocean, or like the vast inland seas, disturbed by no tides, from age to age absorbing God's sunlight into their still depths, and reflecting God's sunlight from their changeless surface forever. So let men's opinions change ; so let God's truth change not !

The Church is the witness and keeper of God's truth, that is, of the few essential things. And to preserve these, discipline, even to expulsion from her fold, if it be necessary, must not be withholden. But, in regard to all other things, all mere fancies and opinions, all mere theorizings and explanations, she can afford to be tolerant, even if she does not endorse or approve. Her standard-bearers, her prominent representative men, her Bishops and her law-makers, should be selected chiefly with reference to the great essential facts and doctrines which she is to maintain in their integrity. And perhaps, this is sufficient to secure her stability and her scriptural orthodoxy. Laws and courts and anathemas and ecclesiastical penalties should have relation only to the perservation of the *few essentials*. In other things let there be liberty ; while, in the unchallenged freedom of her choice, she has the right to choose the men who are to be the exponents of her principles, and to occupy the highest posts of influence, from those who most nearly stand for the whole Body in unmistakable fidelity to the essential truths for which she is an undoubting witness in the midst of a doubting and changeful world.

While I thus advocate comprehension, and toleration, brethren, I say let it be fair, and not one sided ; and let the disgrace upon our Digest, that modern partizan Canon of 1844 aimed at the minority in our Church, be repealed, as, in good faith towards this loyal minority, and in accordance with the liberal spirit of our Institutions, it ought to be. So, if God spare me, will I persistently maintain, until that repeal is accomplished. Let the Church's comprehension be just and generous. And if the entrance into the Episcopate or ministry must be more closely guarded, still let all who love

would serve the Divine Head be welcomed into the membership of her broad and inviting Communion.

And yet, I frankly admit, that, *while extreme views are tolerated in the Church*, as I think they ought to be, it does not at first seem hardly fair, that men holding those views, and admittedly without liability to ecclesiastical trial or discipline, should not be permitted to hold the highest offices to which a Diocese may elect them. How can a refusal so to permit them be justified? I give an answer which is at least satisfactory to myself.

It is to be remembered that all extreme views tolerated in the Church, have reference to matters not in our *Articles of faith* but in our *Standards of doctrine*.

As to the former, the articles of faith, the creeds, every lay member, as well as every minister of the Church, pledges an *ex animo belief*, in the very act of admission to the Church and to her communion, by the vows of Baptism and of Confirmation. Any departure from these articles of faith and terms of communion, immediately involves, and always has involved, rubrical or canonical discipline. About these there is universal agreement and no question.

But, as to the Standards of Doctrine, the various Liturgical prescripts, the Offices, and Articles, there is a different regulation. In regard to these the Laity have no limitation or rule. But the Clergy of all orders are bound to them by a "Promise of Conformity," subscribed to by their own hands, and in the case of Bishops, renewed by a solemn vow or oath at the time of their ordination to the Episcopate.

Now, in regard to the meaning and teaching of these Standards of Doctrine in general or as a whole, to which the "Promise of Conformity" applies, it is manifest that there is a substantial *common agreement* in the great body of the Church, while at the same time there are, and always will be, as there always have been, extreme views as to the meaning of *some* of these standards on *some* points. Is it not to be presumed in this case as in others, that this common judgment and agreement express what is the real and intended teaching of the Church;

and that the *extreme views*, ordinarily arrived at *after* ordination (while they are to be tolerated as not, on the part of the person holding them, a designed violation of the "Promise of Conformity,") *do not express* the commonly recognized teaching of the Church? And therefore, when the whole Church is called upon to appoint a man to a new office in which he is prominently to represent her and to teach her doctrines, will she not naturally and purposely see to it, that his views are in harmony with the commonly received sense of her Standards, as it has always been understood through the course of her history? If this be so, then she is justified in watching the door of the Episcopate as well as of the other orders of the ministry. The limitations of opinion in the ministry who are the teachers, are, in the nature of things, more contracted than the limitations of opinion in the rest of the Church, and this the Church has decided by the Promise of Conformity exacted of the ministry, while none is exacted of the laity, and it seems but just that they, who teach with authority in and for the Church, should not contravene the recognized sense of her Doctrinal Standards. The right to control this is inherent, as well as secured by our written law. But the right should be exercised with great liberality, under a fair and generous construction of the broad and somewhat indefinite Promise of Conformity.

There was another characteristic of our last General Convention, upon which I can speak more positively and more encouragingly—the disposition to revise our Lectionary and to modify our Liturgical arrangements, in order to meet the necessities of the new circumstances of society, in this new land of ours, to accommodate our services to the needs of great cities in the old states, and of young villages on the frontier, for established Dioceses, and for the Missionary fields; to make some shorter services, and to allow some adaptation to the varying peculiarities of diverse communities all over this wide spread continent. This is a move in the right direction, acting for vital needs, with which, next to soundness in the faith, the entire success of our Church is intimately involved. I thank God from my soul for this evidence of a real spiritual *life* in the Church, for this proof that we are indeed a part of the *living* God.

Another most interesting feature of the late General Convention, in connection with the Board of Missions, the debates in which occupied the evenings of all these weeks, was the large and active interest manifested in the Missionary work. As the result of this two Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions were created for China, and a Bishop for one of these elected, and four new Domestic Missionary Jurisdictions created for this country, and four Bishops elected and consecrated for the same.

A very pleasant fact in the history of that Convention was the presence of four Bishops of the English Communion, the Bishop of Lichfield, whose fraternal conversations and addresses and sermons were so acceptable three years before, and who now renewed and further confirmed our regard and reverence for his apostolic heart and counsels, also the Metropolitan of Canada, Dr. Oxenden, so well known for his religious and devotional writings, the Bishop of Quebec, and the Bishop of Jamaica. There was also a large deputation of other English and Colonial Clergy. The bands of fellowship between the mother and daughter Church seemed manifest to the senses as to the affections.

Another very note-worthy fact was the consecration of a Bishop of the African race, the Rev. J. Theodore Holly, D.D., for Haiti. It was the first act of the kind ever undertaken by our Church—the organizing of a Foreign independent or auto-crate Church, and putting into its own hands the means for its own self-government and self-perpetuation.

Communications were also received from the Church of Jesus—the Reformed and Protestant Episcopal Church—in Mexico. A Commission was appointed to visit that body, and examine their work. Bishop Lee, of Delaware, and the Rev. Dr. Dyer, of New York, went as this commission, and on their return have given a report justifying our highest hopes in the movement, and commending it most heartily to the Christian sympathies of the Church in this country. During their visit Bishop Lee administered the apostolic Rite of Confirmation to one hundred and thirty persons, and ordained seven approved men to the office of Deacon and of Presbyter.

DIOCESAN STATISTICS.

My time through October was filled up with duties in the General Convention and in the Board of Missions. In the course of October and November I visited several Churches at the East, presenting the claims of this Diocese, and receiving some valuable assistance. Among these gifts was one of \$2,000, sent to me anonymously, through one of our Bishops. The same generous giver, in a similar unostentatious manner, presented a like amount to five others of our Bishops for work in our Western field. This gift was the nucleus from which I started in the raising of some \$10,000, for the more thorough completion of our College Building, for the finishing and furnishing of our Chapel, for water-works, for other furnishings, and for the erection of our new Laundry, which includes a cellar for the Institution and dormitories for domestics, and of our new Barn, all so important to the convenience of the Family and to the perfection of our original plans. I give to God the praise for the carrying through of these undertakings, even in the midst of the adversities of the past year.

On the 8th of December, I gave a letter Dimissory to the Rev. George D. Henderson, for many years a Chaplain in the Navy, to the Diocese of New Hampshire, he having become attached to the Post at Portsmouth. It is with pain I announce that very soon after the transfer was accepted, our brother was removed from us, while it is our happiness to believe that he went from the earthly trials of his faithful ministry to the blessedness of the Father's House.

On the last of November I returned to Kansas, and on the 13th of December preached in Grace Church, Topeka. For the next five months, with the exception of a few occasional absences, I remained in Topeka, engaged in the superintendence of the College, (where for the last two years I have made my home,) and in a large correspondence connected with the Relief of the hundreds of our people who were left destitute, literally freezing and starving, through the invasion of the grasshoppers or locusts in the previous autumn and their return in the early spring. The five months, from the first of December to the last of April, were not idly spent. In the course of that time I wrote some

648 letters as I count them from my letter memorandum book. A great many of these have reference not only to charities through me, but to the general subject of relief through our State Central Relief Committee. A large part of these letters were long, many of them of seven or eight pages, answering questions, and making statements in regard to localities, or giving facts that were asked for. I estimate that, excluding Sundays, and in addition to all my other work, my letter writing alone, through these five months continuously, averaged from twelve to fifteen pages of commercial note paper per day. In the course of that time I received between sixty and seventy boxes and barrels and packages of clothing, sent to me personally, for the destitute : and from these myself and Mrs. V., with our own hands, assorted and packed and sent away about a hundred and twenty-five boxes and packages to the sufferers. I received, also, in money, from a great many contributors, in small and in large sums, \$3,294.97, which I distributed in many parts of the State. The amount of good effected by these various charities, cannot be overestimated.

In the course of these five months I did occasional duty in Topeka, in Lawrence and in other places, and made a few formal visitations.

On Wednesday, December 23d, 1874, at the request of the Rev. John Bakewell, Rector of Grace Church, Topeka, I confirmed one (1) person, a sick member of his parish, at her own house.

In the same city, on March 25th, Thursday before Easter, in Grace Church, I confirmed one (1) person.

On the next morning, Good Friday, March 26th, I went, by early train, to Leavenworth, some 60 miles, and read prayers and preached at 11 o'clock A. M., and in the evening attended a joint meeting of the congregations of the Churches of St. Paul and St. John, in a Hall in South Leavenworth, and made an address.

On Saturday evening, Easter eve, at a similar meeting, in the same Hall, made an address. The Lenten Services in Leavenworth were held in this Hall, the two congregations meeting in them by an arrangement between the Rev. J. N. Lee,

Rector of St. John's and the Rev. John Woart. Post Chaplain at Fort Leavenworth, who, for nearly a year, has been the minister in charge of the Church of St. Paul, giving to this parish the regular services on the Sunday mornings, in addition to his duties at the Fort, and also by parochical visitations and other occasional services, supplying, most acceptably to the people, the place of a Pastor. I trust that God may soon send to this congregation a faithful Rector.

On Easter Sunday, March 28th, I officiated in the morning at the Church of St. Paul, reading the service, preaching and administering the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I went out to the Fort, where in the evening I attended service and preached.

On the first Sunday after Easter, April 4th, I was at Parsons, in Labette county, where I opened the beautiful new Church, —St. John's Memorial Church. The Rev. B. F. Mower, transferred from Alabama, has charge of the work here and at Osage Mission, laboring effectively and successfully. There was a debt of about \$700, on the building, and at the morning service I made an address. Printed blanks, in the form of promissory notes to the corporation, were circulated, and the people, with a noble liberality, in the midst of the hard times, gave in their pledges to the full amount required. The payments are to be made quarterly, and by the 1st of next January the entire debt will be extinguished, and the Church will be ready for consecration.

This beautiful Church, of brick with stone trimmings, an open-roof Gothic, capable of seating some three hundred persons, is chiefly the result of the generosity of Mrs. Howard, of Providence, R. I., in memorial of her late husband, Mr. E. W. Howard, of that city, for many years a dear friend of my own, and a gentleman forward in every good work, until his decease Treasurer of the Convention, of the Convocation, and of almost all the benevolent trusts and Church agencies of that Diocese. Her gift of \$2,000 encouraged the people to a vigorous effort, and they, by a liberality, unprecedented in these dark days of our commonwealth, have added about \$3,000 to her large gift, and have thus secured one of the finest Churches

in our State. May this, their activity in the temporal interests of the Church, be the pledge of their spiritual earnestness, and may each member of that flock be a "lively stone," in the spiritual temple of the Lord.

In the evening of the same day I preached and confirmed seven (7) persons, presented by the faithful pastor. It was the first confirmation in Parsons.

On Monday, April 5th, I visited Osage Mission in Neosho county, preached in the evening and confirmed seven (7) persons at the first confirmation in this town.

St. Peter's Church in this place, was originally a wooden school house, sold and removed, when a large brick building for the graded schools was erected in its stead. Our people bought it and removed it to the lots where it now stands. With certain changes in its form and interior, repaired, replastered, resealed and painted, it makes a very creditable and nice little Church for our small but faithful and zealous band of Protestants and Churchmen in this stronghold of the Roman Catholic communion. There was a debt of about \$300 upon the building, and arrangements were made that evening, after the conclusion of the services, when the congregation tarried, for its liquidation. And St. Peter's will "owe no man anything but to love one another," when the next New Year comes around. We have reason to be thankful for these results in this southern part of the Neosho Valley. I returned home by the way of Fort Scott and Kansas City, on the fifth day of my absence.

On the 11th day of this month, the second Sunday after Easter, I visited Trinity Church, Lawrence, where, in the morning, I made an address and administered the Holy Communion, and where, in the evening, I preached. There were none to be confirmed, the rectorship being vacant.

This parish was sorely tried by the secession, at Easter, of its late rector, the Rev. John K. Dunn, to the new religious denomination, which has taken the name of the Reformed Episcopal Church. He was much beloved and highly respected for his zeal and Christian devotion, during a ministry of some six years in this parish, and his final, sudden decision took by

surprise his congregation, as well as myself, and his clerical brethren in the Diocese. We can not withhold our tribute to his excellent character, while we regret that he has exchanged the certainty of usefulness where he was, for the uncertainty which attends such new relationships. The Church has been supplied, through the summer, with lay-reading, and with occasional services by myself and other clergymen. The Rectorship has been filled by the election of the Rev. Paul Ziegler, who entered upon his new duties on the first of the current September. He was transferred from Michigan, and was accepted, on the 4th day of August ult, when his canonical residence in this Diocese began.

On the 3rd Sunday after Easter, April 18th I made the appointed visitation of Grace Church, Topeka, preached and confirmed two (2) persons.

To my very great regret and to the sincere grief of his parishoners, the Rev. John Bakewell, Rector of Grace Church, tendered at Easter his resignation of the Rectorship. The parish held it for deliberation some weeks, in the hope that he might be induced to reconsider it. But considerations, especially connected with the state of his health, compelled him to insist upon it. His action was not hasty. For the last two or three years he had been seriously doubting whether he could, in justice to himself and his family, remain in regular parish work, where the peculiar climatic influences so frequently unfitted him for clerical duty and responsibility. His people finally consented. He remained with them supplying their Rectorship, until his departure for the East, about the middle of June. I still hope he may return in the Autumn, to recruit his strength by needful rest from sermon-writing, and to do such Missionary work as may be convenient and consistent with his physical ability.

On the 5th Sunday after Easter, May 2nd, I officiated in Topeka, in the morning administering the Holy Communion, and preaching in the evening.

On Wednesday, May 5th, I went to Chicago, where I procured the Chancel Furniture and the seats for the College Chapel, and where, on Sunday, the 9th, I preached in the

Morning, in the new Trinity Church, and, in the evening, in Grace Church.

On the evening of Tuesday, May 11th, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, where I baptised one (1) adult, and two (2) infants, and also confirmed five (5) persons. The Rev. Thomas Betts, who was transferred from Missouri, entered upon the Rectorship of this Parish, last November, and seems both to find and to give satisfaction in this, one of our oldest parishes.

Whitsunday, May 16th, I spent in Trinity parish, Lawrence, where, in the morning, I preached and administered the Holy Communion, and, in the afternoon, presided and made an address at the anniversary of the Sunday School. The exercises were very interesting, the classes presenting their Missionary gifts with their floral offerings, and the singing being admirable, under the direction of the enthusiastic Superintendent, Professor Stimpson.

Trinity Sunday, May 23rd, found me at Fort Scott, where, in the morning, I made an address, and administered the Holy Communion, and in the evening, after an address, confirmed (12) persons. This parish is in a very prosperous condition, notwithstanding the hard times, under the charge of its efficient and popular Rector. It is one of the encouraging facts, that St. Andrew's parish resigned its Missionary stipend, and became self-supporting, on the 1st of May last, in the dark days of our public despondency.

On Monday, accompanied by the Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector of St. Andrews, I went down to Girard, in Crawford county, where in the evening, after an address, I baptized two (2) adults and five (5) infants, and confirmed four (4) persons. The Rev. Mr. Cox, of Fort Scott, holds the Rectorship of this parish of St. John's and officiates for them once in every fortnight on Wednesday evening. On the Sundays lay-reading is habitually practiced, by Dr. Warner or some other lay-reader. The little Church, made from a school house, is quite completed, and each year makes some further improvement in it or in its surroundings. The success of the effort here shows what can be done by lay agencies, where there is really determination and perseverance, even if numbers be few, and means be very limited.

On the next day we returned to Fort Scott, where, in the evening, at the house of one of the parishioners, I attended a reception, and met the parishioners of St. Andrews. The day was stormy, but the gathering was very pleasant and profitable.

The following Sunday, May 30th, I was at Atchison, where, in the morning, in Trinity Church, I read service and preached for the rector who was quite sick. In the afternoon I baptized four (4) infants, and in the evening confirmed six (6) persons. The Rev. Dr. Carver, the rector, a few days after, left for the Hot Springs in Arkansas, in the hope of recruiting his health which had been severely broken. I regret to learn that he has decided to remain at the East, and that the parish will be obliged to look for a new rector.

The first Sunday in June I spent at Topeka, where I officiated and administered the Holy Communion.

Sunday, June 13th, I officiated in the morning in Trinity Church, Lawrence, preaching and administering the Holy Communion. In the evening, at the University Hall, in the same city, I preached the Baccalaureate sermon.

Having attended the commencement of the University on Wednesday, I returned to Topeka, to the examinations of our College of the Sisters of Bethany on Thursday and Friday.

On the following Sunday, June 20th, I officiated, in the morning, at Grace Church, Topeka, and, in the evening, preached the Baccalaureate sermon in the beautiful and newly furnished chapel of our College.

On Monday and Tuesday, the examinations at the College were continued, and on Tuesday evening the Annual Concert came off, shewing a very marked proficiency in the department of music, both instrumental and vocal.

On Wednesday morning was the Commencement, when the pupils received their degrees as graduates. There were present, of the clergy, besides the Rev. Messrs. Butler and Beatty of this Diocese, the Rev. Dr. Runcie, of St. Joseph, Mo., and the Rev. Mr. Ziegler, then of Michigan, now of this Diocese. The Baccalaureate address was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Runcie, who in a very effective manner presented very

valuable and appropriate thoughts on the mission and work of woman in the Church and in the world.

I must again urge upon the Convention and upon the Diocese, the importance of sustaining this Institution for the daughters of the Protestant families in this State.

On Sunday, June 27th, I visited Manhattan, and officiated in St. Paul's morning and night. In the afternoon I baptized the infant son of the Rev. J. H. Lee, who has recently accepted, for the second time, the rectorship of this Church. The parish having for several months been without a Pastor, and Mr. Lee not yet having had time to canvass it with reference to confirmation, no candidates were presented.

On the next morning, Monday, I baptized, in the house of the parents, the mother being sick, the infant child of one whom I had baptized and confirmed, and whose mother before her I had baptised, and admitted to Holy Communion, and presented for Confirmation, some twenty years ago, in my old Rhode Island home, this baptism being of the third generation—grandmother and mother and granddaughter having been all baptised by me.

In the afternoon I went on to Salina. On the next day, Tuesday, in the afternoon, we had a service and sermon in the Church, after which I visited a sick man, and offered prayer. In the course of the day I visited some of the people, and arranged for the consecration of the Church on the first Sunday in August next. The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, of the Diocese of Michigan, has for the last year been officiating as missionary at this point, with the purpose of supplying other also points along that part of the K. P. R. W. He has now presented his letters dismissory and been accepted as a Clergyman of this Diocese in the rectorship of this Church. That night I went on to Ellsworth.

On Wednesday morning, June 30th, at 11 o'clock, in the Court House, we held service, when I preached, administered the Holy Communion, and baptised one infant. It was a great loss to this little parish of the Holy Apostles when their Church was burned. It does not yet seem to be quite the time for trying to build another. The time will doubtless come, as God shall will. That night I went on to Hays City.


On Thursday I visited Fort Hays, and received, as I often have before, the polite attentions of Chaplain Collins. That evening, just as the sun went down, on the green prairie, in front of the house of Mr. Treat, my kind host and brother in the Church, I baptized five (5) children from three families, after which I went to the school Hall, where I met a large congregation from the little town and from the Fort, and read the service and preached. On my return to the house of my host, at 10 o'clock that night, I baptized an adult, who was anxious in this Sacrament to confess his Lord.

On Friday morning, on a Freight Train, I went back to Victoria, where I spent the day with Mr. George Grant, driving with him over a part of his farm which embraces a large part of the County—a principality in extent—and seeing the flocks, herds and other stock of this immense estate. The site for the Church was selected. And that evening I baptized two children of a gentleman and lady of New York, who were guests of Mr. Grant.

I regard the experiment which Mr. Grant is making, with such an outlay of wealth, in reference to the development of this part of the country, as of the utmost importance to the material and the moral interests of the State, and well deserving the protection and encouragement of our Legislature, wherein soever they may co-operate with him.

That night, at 2 o'clock, I started for Junction City, which I reached the next morning about 9 o'clock.

Sunday, July 4th, I preached in the Church of the Covenant, in the morning; and in the evening, in the Chapel at Fort Riley. I am glad to report that the Rev. Dr. Reynolds is again in charge at Junction City, and that he still remains at the Post at Riley. In the great embarrassment which our people have felt at Junction, and the depletion of their numbers and resources in these last two years of disaster and discouragement, it has demanded faith and self-denial to conduct the work of the Church, on the part of both people and pastor. We hope for the return of prosperity, for both to the Commonwealth and the Church.



On Monday, July 5th, I started, in company with the Rev. Dr. Reynolds for a visitation in Clay county. Going up the Republican Valley, we met the Rev. Mr. Hickcox, missionary in this county, at Wakefield. Our people here are chiefly farmers, new settlers in the country, from England, from the provinces, from different parts of our United States. That evening we held a service in the large school room at Wakefield. The rainy weather was quite unfavorable, but we had a nice congregation. We also visited some of the families. They have made preparations for the building of a Church, in the place of that destroyed by the tornado a year ago.

On the next day, Tuesday, we went on to Clay Center, where, in the Baptist Church, we held a service, with a good congregation, when I preached. The District Teachers' Association was in session, which I attended and addressed, and which very kindly adjourned their evening meeting, in order to attend upon our services. Our faithful missionary in this county had been indefatigable in his cares for the people and in the distribution of relief, in various ways, during the last sad winter of want and cold, and his zealous labors in the county have been productive of much good and for the gathering of our people into their Church.

On Wednesday I came back to Junction City, where I conferred with members of the vestry and congregation in reference to our Church interests. And on Thursday I returned to my rooms in the College at Topeka.

On Friday I started for Burlington in Coffey county, which place I reached on Saturday, and where on Sunday, July 11th, in the Church of the Ascension, I preached both morning and night, in the morning confirming four (4) persons, and in the evening one (1), making five (5) in all. In the afternoon I attended the Sunday School in the Church. It is, indeed, a model school, a large part of the congregation, both young and old, attending with much of animation and interest in the different classes and Bible classes. The business prostration here has been very severe.

On Monday I retraced my steps to Emporia, in company with the Rev. Mr. Holden, and in the evening preached, and baptized one adult and one infant, and confirmed one (1) person.

Sunday, July 18th, I remained at Topeka and officiated, in the vacancy of the rectorship of Grace Church.

On Wednesday, July 21st, I started upon a visitation along the Central Branch, and the Denver & St. Joseph Railroads. On that afternoon I met the Rev. Mr. Turner, missionary on the Central Branch Railroad, at Netawaka, and in the evening preached in the little Church which we have recently procured in this village, and baptized two (2) adults, and confirmed seven (7) persons. I also made arrangements to return, with God's permission, for the consecration of the Church on the last Sunday in August.

On the next day, Thursday, I went to Blue Rapids, where I met the Rev. Charles Holmes, Deacon, the missionary in Marshall county, and where I held a service and preached, in Fitzgerald Hall.

On the next day I visited Irving with Mr. Holmes, and in the evening preached in the Presbyterian Church, kindly loaned to us, and confirmed one (1) person. At the close of this service I administered the Holy Communion to the faithful few who were gathered together for the purpose.

On the next afternoon, Saturday, I went with Mr. Holmes and his family to Centre Township, where I spent the night.

On Sunday, July 25th, in the morning, I preached in Zion Church, Centre Township, and confirmed one (1) person. A severe thunder storm, which came up at noon and flooded the country, detained us until a late hour in the afternoon, and compelled us to drive slowly, to meet an appointment for the evening at Marysville, the shire town of the county. We arrived just at the hour fixed for the service. The congregation had assembled, but concluding that we could not meet the appointment, had dispersed, and closed the Hall. This is the second time when we have been disappointed as to a service in this town, by severe storms. Our missionary in the county has held his post and discharged his duties through the discouragements of this last trying year. He also did his part, as others did, in the distribution of supplies to the needy, for the great comfort of many destitute and suffering ones. The clergy in these agricultural fields deserve our warmest sympathies.

ville, and at Hiawatha, made the roads very muddy, night very dark, and thus made a thin attendance at the t Church, where we held an evening service. The the service, and I preached. The next morning, a of the people met us at the house of our kind hosts, d Mrs. Webb, and conferred with us.

next day, Wednesday, we went to Wathena, where, in ng, at the Methodist Church, we had a large congrega- n the Dr. read the service, and I preached. The Rev. cie has been very kind in coming over occasionally rome in St. Joseph, and holding services in Troy and . and I desire in your presence to thank him. There sent at this service, a man and his wife, both past fe, earnest members of our Church, who had come en miles to attend it, walking a considerable part of n the hot sun, for the purpose. What a rebuke to the ce of so many !

Thursday afternoon I got back to Topeka, where I spent day writing letters, and on Saturday went out to Salina, , on the K. P. R. W.

Sunday, the 10th after Trinity, August 1st, at Salina, stered the Holy Communion at 9 o'clock A. M., and at ock I consecrated Christ Church, after which we had e, when I preached. In the afternoon we again had ad sermon, when I confirmed four (4) persons. This



parish, to the amount of between three and four hundred dollars, and who very generously relinquished his claims and discharged the Church from all further liability. Such examples are rare, and deserve to be recorded.

The next day, Monday, I returned to my home. On the following Thursday I was in Lawrence. Sunday, August 8th, was spent in Topeka, where I officiated morning and evening, in the vacancy of the rectorship. I also baptized one infant.

On the next day I went to Wichita, on the A. T. & S. F. R. R., 125 miles, where I arrived an hour and a half past midnight. The Rev. A. Beatty met me at Emporia, and accompanied me on the trip.

On Tuesday evening we held service, and I preached in the Methodist Church, at Wichita. We spent all day Tuesday, and Wednesday forenoon, in visiting the people, and trying to encourage them for another effort, so sorely had they been disheartened by the unfortunate and lamentable experiences which have been theirs heretofore.

On Wednesday we went to Newton, where we visited the people, and in the evening had service and sermon.

On the next day I came back to Topeka, while Mr. Beatty went on to Great Bend, where he held services and preached on the following Sunday. It is our desire to fix a Mission along this important road—the A. T. & S. F. Mr. Beatty has consented to enter upon it, with a centre at or near Newton, and I anticipate very favorable influences from the effort.

On Saturday I went back as far as to Emporia, where I held service and preached both morning and night, on Sunday, August 15th, at St. Andrew's Church. In the evening, I also administered the Holy Communion, for which I gave the warning at the preceding service.

On the next Sunday, August 22d, I officiated for the vacant parish at Topeka in the morning, and also administered the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon I went about twenty-five miles to the town of St. Marys, an old Mission of the Roman Catholic Church, and where two of their principal schools are located, to visit a member and communicant of our Church, who was dangerously

sick. A few friends were gathered at the house, and I administered the Holy Communion, to the great comfort of the invalid, and, I trust to the benefit of all who knelt around her bed to unite with her in that sacred memorial of our dying Saviour's love. On Monday I returned and devoted the week to correspondence and other necessary business.

On Saturday, I again went to Netawaka, in Jackson county, by the way of Atchison, and on the morning of Sunday, August 29th, I consecrated Christ Church, Netawaka, preaching, also, and confirming two (2) persons. In the afternoon, I again preached, and confirmed four (4) persons. I congratulate my Reverend brother, Mr. Turner, who for so long has been doing faithful work at this station, on this success, and I rejoice with our people at Netawaka and the surrounding parts of Jackson, Nemaha, Brown and Atchison counties, that they now have at this point a Church of their own. May God make it to many, and indeed to all of them, the "gate of Heaven!"

On the last Sunday the 15th after Trinity, I spent the forenoon at Grace Church, Topeka, where the examining Chaplains and a candidate for Priest's Orders were present, prepared for there duties on Monday and Tuesday. The Rev. Mr. Woart preached. In the afternoon we went out to Emmanuel Church, Monmouth, where the Rev. Mr. Holmes preached, and I made an address, and confirmed one (1) person.

The Sunday School of this Rural Church deserves particular mention. The parish has clerical services only once in two weeks, when the Rev. C. E. Butler visits them, and officiates, doing as he can occasional pastoral duty. But on the alternate Sundays, the congregation comes together as they do when the Clergyman is present. And every Sunday, after the Morning Service, the Sunday School is in session. Almost all the members of the congregation belong to it, in some of the classes, the Adult Bible Class being quite full and embracing several far advanced in years. This Sunday School and the one in Burlington, Coffey county, merit especial commendation.

Of clerical changes in the Diocese, I have to report that Letters Dimissory have been given by the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, as follows: to the Rev. J. P. Fugett, to the

Diocese of Missouri, the Rev. George D. Henderson, to the Diocese of New Hampshire, the Rev. John Mills Kendrick to the Diocese of Ohio, the Rev. C. Stewart to the Diocese of Tennessee.

Letters Dimissory have been accepted by the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, as follows: the Rev. T. B. Dooley, from the Diocese of Michigan, the Rev. Paul Ziegler from the Diocese of Michigan.

Deposition has been pronounced in the case of two clergymen the Rev. James C. Pratt upon his renunciation of the ministry in this Church, according to Canon 5 of title II: and the Rev. Thompson L. Smith, upon his abandonment of the communion of this Church, according to Canon 6 of title II. of the Digest.

The Rev. A. S. Teutschel, who for sometime was employed as a Missionary in this Diocese, having never presented Letters Dimissory from his Diocesan, and having so far as I can learn withdrawn from the exercise of the ministry, his name is stricken from the list of our clergy.

From this review of the condition of our Diocese, we learn that in the midst of judgments our Lord remembers mercy. There are some things to encourage us, and our affairs are not as prostrated as we might have expected, when we consider the terrible ordeal of destitution and suffering through which our State has been passing.

The severe drouths of the last two years and the visitation of the locusts during the Summer and Autumn of this year have been a serious calamity, from the effects of which it may require two or three years of favorable seasons to enable us to recover. But our God is very pitiful and of tender mercy; and the labors of the husbandman have this Summer and Autumn been crowned with extraordinary success. The feeling of despair in the hearts of our people has been changed into the sense of hopefulness, and the apathy of discouragement into the activity of a renewed enterprise. The locusts are gone and their wide spread damages are being in a measure repaired. We can only thank the gracious Father, who has sent the bounteous rains with the fertilizing sunshine upon our State, and who is sending

through them the plentiful harvests for our comfort. May our hearts be filled with gratitude and our lips and our lives with praise.

With a few statements on other matters of more general interest, I shall conclude.

Since last September I have received canonical notice of the deposition of twenty-three (23) clergymen, as follows,—

Rev. M. T. McCormick, Presbyter, by Bishop Johns, of Virginia.

Revs. William S. Perkins, Walter Windeyer, Alexander Fullerton, Presbyters, by Bishop Stevens, of Penn.

Rev. Thomas J. McFadden, Presbyter, by Bishop Littlejohn, Long Island.

Rev. Joseph S. Malone, Presbyter, by Bishop Smith, of Ky.

Rev. Joseph D. Wilson, Presbyter, by Bishop Kerfoot, of Pittsburg.

Rev. William R. Nicholson, D. D. Presbyter, by Standing Committee of North New Jersey.

Rev. Warren N. Dunham, Presbyter, by Bishop Tabbot, of Indiana.

Rev. Wm. H. Johnson, Presbyter, by Bishop Howe, of South Carolina.

Rev. John C. Fitnam, Presbyter, by Bishop Spalding, of Colorado.

Rev. Jas. Calcott Pratt, Deacon, by Bishop Vail, of Kansas.

Rev. Thompson L. Smith, Presbyter, by Bishop Vail, of Kansas.

Rev. Arthur E. Hill, Presbyter, by Bishop Wingfield, of North California.

Rev. Benj. Johnson, Presbyter, by Bishop Beckwith, of Georgia.

Rev. Jos. H. MacElrey, Deacon, by Bishop Howe, of Cent. Penn.

Rev. Wm. V. Feltwell, Presbyter, by Bishop Potter, of New York.

Rev. Wm. T. Sabine, Presbyter, by Bishop Potter, of New York.

Rev. Benj. B. Leacock, Presbyter, by Bishop Potter, of New York.

Rev. Wm. W. Sever, Presbyter, by Bishop Potter, of New York.

Rev. Eastburn Brown, Presbyter, by Bishop Potter, of New York.

Rev. Wm. M. Postlethwaite, Presbyter, by Bishop Potter, of New York.


Rev. Chas. A. Foster, Deacon, by Bishop Potter, of New York.

I have received notice also, of the rejection of Mr. Geo. Fred'k Degen, as a candidate for orders, by Bishop Littlejohn, of Long Island. I am happy to state, furthermore, that I have received notice of the full restoration to his ministry and Priesthood, according to the Canon, of the Rev. William H. Johnson, by Bishop Howe, of South Carolina.

Since our last Convention, two of our Bishops have been removed by death—the Right Rev. John Payne, D.D., late missionary Bishop at Cape Palmas, Africa, and the Rt. Rev. Henry Washington Lee, D.D., L.L.D., Bishop of Iowa.

Of the latter I have spoken at length. Of the former I need say but little, inasmuch as he has been so long known in our whole Church, as the devoted man, who by a singular Providence was preserved for more than thirty years as the efficient and laborious Bishop on that malarial and deathly coast. Four years ago, when he felt that his strength was unequal to the further continuation of his labors, his resignation was accepted by the House of Bishops, and he retired to his farm in Virginia to spend his few declining days in comparative quiet and rest. Yet here he was still active in good works, and he was engaged in missionary duties constantly in the neighborhood of his home, until within a very few days of his decease. A noble, self-sacrificing missionary of the Cross, whose "record is on high," has gone to his reward in the bosom of Jesus.

In this connection, I must refer to the lamented decease of Mr. Robert H. Ives of Providence, Rhode Island. For more than thirty years I have known and valued him, and have often enjoyed his kind hospitalities. Unostentatious and conscientious, he was a liberal patron of all objects or institutions which approved themselves to his judgment. In his generous gifts to



our College, he was not willing that his name should appear, but gave them as from "a friend in Rhode Island." In his removal the Church has met a sad bereavement. May the good Lord still keep up the number of his servants of the faithful heart and of the open hand!

Within the last conventional year, nine new Bishops have been consecrated for work in almost every part of our Union, as follows:

The Rt. Rev. Edward R. Wells, D.D., Bishop of Wisconsin; the Rt. Rev. Robert Woodward Barnwell Elliott, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Western Texas; Rt. Rev. John Henry Ducachet Wingfield, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Northern California; Rt. Rev. Alexander Charles Garrett, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas; Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan; Rt. Rev. Thomas Underwood Dudley, Jr., D.D., Assistant Bishop of Kentucky; Rt. Rev. John A. Scarborough, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey; Rt. Rev. William F. Adams, D.D., Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona; Rt. Rev. Thomas A. Jaggard, D.D., Bishop of Southern Ohio.

In addition to these the Rev. James H. Eccleston, D.D., has been elected Bishop of Iowa, and is awaiting the consent of the Dioceses and of the Bishops to his consecration. If his election be confirmed, as there can be no doubt it will be, he will make the tenth Bishop consecrated in this Church within the year.

Before I close, there is a thought filling my mind and my heart, to which I must give utterance—that of gratitude to God for His particular and gracious Providence towards me in my work. In the midst of these hard times, I have added certain new buildings to our College, and have quite completed it as to its appropriate appurtenances within and without, at a cost during the year of about ten thousand dollars. This money has come to me as I have needed it, all along during the work, just sent to my hands from time to time. It is but the repetition this last year of what God has been doing for me these many years, relieving my anxieties when the dark hours came, supplying my wants as they forced themselves upon me, and

always providing. If I could write the motto upon our walls, as it is written upon my heart, it would be "Jehovah jireh," for my dear Lord has never failed me, and the good hand of my God has been upon me. Beloved brethren, may we accept this mercy, for it is a mercy to us all and to our children after us, with humble gratitude, as we consecrate ourselves, by His Spirit, anew to His service. May He accept us, and still use us for His glory !

NOTE TO ADDRESS.

Sketch of the Life and Character of the Rt. Rev. Henry Washington Lee, D.D., LL.D., late Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa, and for four years Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas.


BEING A PART OF THE SERMON PREACHED AT THE BURIAL OF BISHOP LEE, AT DAVENPORT, SEPTEMBER 29, 1874, READ, AT ITS REQUEST, TO THE LATE CONVENTION OF KANSAS, AND PUBLISHED, BY ORDER OF THE CONVENTION, IN THE JOURNAL.

It is a painful duty, my beloved in the Lord, which I am called to discharge to-day, and yet it is a privilege, although so sad, to say these words over the earthly remains of this friend,—one of my nearest and most cherished—the brother of many years in the Diaconate, in the Presbyterate, in the Episcopate.

I was about two years his senior in the Ministry, and, at the time of his ordination as a Deacon, I had just taken my orders as a presbyter, and was holding the Rectorship of Christ's Church, in Cambridge, Mass. It was in the summer of 1837, almost forty years ago. Being obliged to be absent in Maine some three weeks, the young Mr. Lee, then just ordained a Deacon, became the occupant of my study during my absence and preached his first sermons in that old University Church. Our acquaintance and our friendship began there and have never been interrupted since. Through his long and successful ministry in Springfield, through his long and successful ministry in Rochester, from which he was called to the Bishoprick of this Diocese, my heart always went with him, although

I could meet him only occasionally during those years. Afterwards, while holding the Rectorship of St Thomas Church, Taunton, it was my happiness to have, among my parishoners and my very dearest friends, the honored parents of Mrs. Lee, the venerable and talented and learned Governor Morton, and his equally venerated and intelligent wife, both rare exemplars of the ideal "old school" of courtesy and conversational ability. In the annual and sometimes more frequent visits of Bishop Lee to this attractive and beloved home, our old friendship ripened into a tender intimacy, which has but strengthened more and more until God took him. When in due time all my family of the generations before me had been removed, and the ties which had bound me to the East were broken, and I had decided to come into this Great West, I communicated at once with him, and looked to his Diocese as my home. And thus I became a Presbyterian of Iowa, in the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Muscatine. In that brief Rectorship of a single year, twice he came, in his full love and sympathy, to say over my dead the words of consolation which I am to say over his dust to-day. And when, near the end of that one short year, the Diocese of Kansas, of which he held the Provisional charge, decided to elect a Bishop, and my name was in some way before them, I have been told, the strong testimony of his friendship and confidence, when he was personally applied to with enquiries, had its influence to lay upon me the solemn responsibilities of that office which I bear in relation to that people. Thus as a mourner for a very dear and almost a life-long friend and brother, I mingle my tears with yours to-day.

Bishop Lee was born in Hampden, Connecticut, on the 29th of July, 1815, his parents removing to Springfield, Mass., when he was but eighteen months old. For many years, and until his death, the father of the Bishop, Col. Roswell Lee, was the respected and popular Superintendent of the large and important Government Armory, located in that city. The Academic course of the Bishop, and his Theological education were pursued in Massachusetts. In April, 1838, he was admitted to Deacon's orders, by the late Reverend Bishop Griswold, whose memory was very precious to him, whose principles he admired



and always endeavored to carry out, and after whom he named the College with its departments of Divinity and of Academic education, which will stand as his own grand memorial in future years. Soon after his ordination as Deacon, he entered upon his pastoral and missionary work at Springfield, Mass., and on the 17th of April, 1839, just a year after receiving his Diaconate, he made the happy marriage, to which he has frequently alluded in conversation as his greatest earthly blessing. In the late summer or autumn of 1839, he was ordained to the office of **Presbyter**, at the age of twenty-four, by the same venerated prelate. Here he made his mark, and laid the foundations for his future popularity and advancement, developing those admirable traits of prudence, common sense and rare judiciousness, combined with eminent earnestness and laboriousness, which so distinguished him in the years which followed.

After a Rectorship of nine years in Springfield, he was called to succeed the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, in the Rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, New York. This place he held and ably filled for seven years, until on Wednesday, October 18th, 1854, just twenty years ago, lacking less than one brief month, he was consecrated the first Diocesan Bishop of Iowa, which until then had been a part of the missionary jurisdiction of the Northwest, under the Episcopal charge of Bishop Kemper, the first of our Missionary Bishops.

I need not dilate upon his success as a **Presbyter**. He very soon acquired a marked reputation as a preacher, while his work as a parish minister and pastor was eminently effective. The little missionary station at Springfield grew up into a strong parish, and the old parish at Rochester expanded its influence, and sent out its missionary branches in new directions. As a **Presbyter**, he was honored with important positions, as a member of the Board of Missions, as a member of the Standing Committee, as a Deputy to the General Convention, and in other relations and places of trust, expressive of the confidence of the Church, and the high esteem in which he was personally held.

But I must speak of him as a Bishop. He came into a newly-organized Diocese, in a new State, where the great body

of the people were very poor in worldly goods, where were only six clergymen, all missionaries, present at the Convention which elected him, and only some nine feeble parishes in all represented, and where every nominal parish was only a Missionary Station. I know, in my own experience, the peculiar difficulties and discouragements of such a field, and so do these my brethren in the Episcopate here present. No one can adequately appreciate them without a similar experience. And yet he took hold of his work so hopefully, and he carried it on so perseveringly and so effectively. The mental and physical strain of these twenty years have been enough to break down the strongest constitution. It is a matter of devout gratitude that he was enabled to endure it so long.

The relations of Bishop Lee to the great questions which have always divided opinions among the members of our communion, and which must always be open within the limits of great Catholic and comprehensive Church, and his relations to the differing schools of thought and practice which have always been recognized among us, have been uniformly consistent. He started in life with Bishop Griswold as his model after his Master. The views of Bishop Griswold he adopted heartily and he grew into them more and more, as the years advanced upon him. He was devoted, and he never varied in his devotion to the views of Christian doctrine, which are known as Evangelical, while his attachment to the Order and Liturgy of the Church was as strong and fervent as that of any. If you follow the record of his life, and read over his sermons, charges and pastorals, or look at his speeches and his votes on all occasions of legislative deliberation, you will find that he never deviated from his consistency. Yet he was always tolerant, and never an extremist as a partizan. His mind was broad, his charity too warm, his judgment too cool, to permit him to be carried away upon any mere *ism*. As though men grow older, they become more conservative; they are disposed to change existing things for the mere sake of change or of slight improvement, or for mere considerations of taste or preference. Their *ideal Church in Heaven is absolutely perfect*. Their *ideal Church on earth is only relatively perfect*. The

ideal Church on earth still has some imperfections as constituted of beings still themselves imperfect, and they try to get the best **they** can. They learn to discriminate. They look for the *best possible*, and not for a chimerical and impracticable perfection in human systems. The range of *essentials* in their view grows narrower; the range of non-essentials grows wider. Such was **his** experience.

He dearly loved the services of the Church, and was very much annoyed, as many a clergyman can testify, by the carelessness and the blunderings, even in the minutia of the **Ritual**, to which some clergyman seem constitutionally and irremediably prone. Yet his criticisms were always kindly given, and the paternal reminder was always sure to follow the mistake. But he could not bear to have the services misrendered, so highly did he prize them, and so warmly did his heart and his taste approve them. So, on the other hand, the plain presentation of the personal Christ to the souls of men, as the only justification through His atoning blood, and as the only Lord through His Spirit of Life, always delighted him, by whomsoever presented, and always received his frank and cordial commendation.

He was looking forward, with much anxiety, to the conclusions and action of our approaching General Convention, But God wished His servant in some other and even more important work, and took him. God *needs* none of us, although he condescends to use us; and however He may change His instruments, He will still provide for His Church, even to the end of the world.

My brethren of this Diocese of Iowa, you have realized the *energy* of your now lamented Bishop. You recall how, at his visitations, he put a new life into efforts that seemed almost expiring, and how, in his earnest ringing tones, he sent out impulses, which lasted on until they were again renewed in the following year. And, in the measures of Diocesan interest, you know how he never flagged, until his place was pushed to its accomplishment.

You have realized his *wisdom*. The noble endowment for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be such a strength to

this Diocese in future years, was gathered by him. He was just beginning to reap some fruit from this toil, but in this as in his other efforts he toiled for those who are to follow him. I remember well the enthusiasm into which he wakened our old Eastern Churches, when he came, almost twenty years ago, telling us, that the lands in Iowa, or as he pronounced it, Eowah, the Beautiful, as he translated the Indian word, could be bought for \$1.25 per acre, and asking each one to give an acre, and how, when the collectors went round, scarcely any one could resist putting his acre or its equivalent in money upon the plate. Gathered where we are to-day, we see his wisdom, in connexion with his energy and his unremitting perseverance, in this Diocesan College and Theological School, with its beautiful Chapel and its valuable endowments, and in its Departments for the education of both Boys and Girls; in these fine residences for the head of this Institution and for the head of this Diocese; and in this Bishop's Church, or Cathedral, so imposing, so beautiful, so appropriate to its uses, and completed alas, how sad to just in time to receive within its hallowed walls the body of him who first occupied its Chair of Office and of Oversight. He leaves behind him, for this Diocese, a heritage to become more valuable as the years go on, and which even now many of our Dioceses, more than a century old, can not equal.

You have realized his *faithfulness, zeal and love*, in the discharge of his official duties. The Clergy and Laity of this Diocese appreciate these traits. His frank speech, his kindly and considerate counsel, his ready sympathy, you call them to mind, and you love him for them. Like a father, he moved among you, and you gave him the reverence and the affection which belonged to his paternal relation. You will miss him sadly. Although carrying some marks of approaching age, his eye was not dim, his voice was strong, his mind was vigorous and clear as ever, his wit was quick and responsive, and his heart was warm and genial and gentle as in his youth.

What a delightful companion he was, so bright, so cheerful, so good! He enjoyed wit—there was also a strong instinct of humor in him. Yet he was so pure. He did not like rough joking, even in his playful moods. He could not bear the

slightest approach to an indelicate word or thought. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." And when the conversation turned upon sacred things, his feelings went with it, as to their choicest subjects; and his love and zeal kindled into most suggestive and persuasive speech, for his heart was in Divine and heavenly things. Would we were all like him in this!

In the very midst of his usefulness he leaves us. Surely "God's ways are not as our ways." It does seem strange that two Bishops, of contiguous Dioceses,* each in the full possession of all his powers, should be taken away, just on the eve of this important General Convention, when their matured views would have been especially worthy of consideration.

As a *reasoner*, Bishop Lee was of clear and logical mind, and gifted with a remarkable share of that faculty or combination of faculties, good common sense. His conclusions on almost all subjects were sensible and comprehensive. He was liberal towards opponents, but firm in his convictions. And in this way his influence was widely felt. His sermons were always interesting and convincing, oftentimes kindling emotion, and sometimes rousing to intense enthusiasm. His charges and Pastoral Letters always attracted attention, and were extensively circulated through the Church by the press. He could distinguish, as many can not, between things essential and things non-essential, and thus had no occasion to waste his strength, as many do in trifles. He looked for the pith in all controversies, and thus intelligent men were moved by him.

If I speak of *his moral nature*, my thoughts run into many circles to which he was tenderly endeared by those sweet, kindly, affectionate traits which characterized him—his family which he so fondly loved, and which returned his love in equal measure—his parish, each member identified with himself in his strong personal regards—his Diocese, in which he knew almost all the people as well as the Clergy, treasuring all in his Apostolic heart, and saying, in unaffected sincerity: "Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy and rejoice with you all."


* Bishop Lee, of Iowa, and Bishop Whitehouse, of Illinois, who died August 10th, 1874, not quite seven weeks prior to the decease of Bishop Lee.

As I close, the *Christian character* of the departed Bishop rises before our contemplation in its completeness. We cannot survey nor describe it in its details. It was symmetrical—its foundation a simple faith in the personal Christ, as the only Saviour of lost sinners, and a coming unto Him in true repentance and in humble trust and obedience and self-consecration. And upon this foundation the superstructure was lifted up of a holy life in all its beautiful developments and proportions. His pure character so stood out before our sight, even as his own princely presence among men, attractive, admired, and wonderful.

So, my brethren, may we all “follow him, even as he followed Christ!”

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APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector.

Families, 45; Individuals, 15.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 5; total, 15.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 7. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 63; added, 20; removed, 25; present number, 58.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, 19; scholars, 120; total, 139.

Communion alms..... \$106 30

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

For Church choir.....\$215 00

Raised by the Ladies Society..... 418 79

For Sunday School..... 86 50

For Church improvements..... 13 02

For Insurance on Church property..... 15 00

For blinds for parsonage, (raised by young ladies of the
Sunday School)..... 60 75

For internal improvement of parsonage..... 22 00

For Prayer Books..... 5 25

\$837 31

Objects without the parish:

Convention assessment..... \$30 00

Diocesan Missions..... 38 40

Relief of poor..... 16 50

American Bible Society..... 6 25

Education of Ministers..... 10 00

Miscellaneous..... 5 00

\$106 15

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$1,042 76

At its annual meeting on Easter Monday last, this parish,
after first expressing its appreciation of the timely and generous

assistance rendered in our need, by the Bishop and by the Domestic Committee, and also by the American Church Missionary Society, for several years past, resolved to become self-supporting from that date. It has made a noble effort in that direction; but it will be more difficult to succeed than was at first anticipated, because of the "hard times," which have resulted from the drouth and destructive ravages of the locust; and because a number of those upon whom we relied for assistance have removed from the parish. However, since we cannot know how much we are able to accomplish until we have honestly put forth every effort, we purpose, with God's help, to do our best to provide for our own necessities.

BROWN AND NEMAH COUNTY.

Rev. George Turner, Missionary.

Families, 5.

Baptisms: Infants, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 6; present number, 6.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield, the Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Missionary.

Families, 24; Individuals, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 9.

Married, 1; Buried, 8.

Communicants, 34.

Communion alms, \$13.

A beginning is made to erect a frame Church 30x18, with funds already in hand to complete without incurring a debt. The parish hopes, however, to be able to rebuild the Stone Church which was blown down in June of last year, when the present building can be converted into a parsonage.

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington, the Rev. J. L. Holden, Rector.

Families, 30.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 42; added, 8; removed, 6; present number, 44.

Sunday School: Teachers, 9; scholars enrolled, 125.

Contributions—For objects within the parish:

Sunday School.....\$17 85

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For objects without the parish:

Church Missionary Society.....	\$ 4 50
Convention assessment.....	14 00
	— — \$18 50
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Total.....	\$33 55

Communion alms united with regular Sunday collection for Rector's salary.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Cox, Rector. *

Families, 17; individuals, (not included in families), 4.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 3; total, 10.

Communicants: Last reported, 16; added, 6; removed, 4; present number, 21.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 41.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

For Sunday School papers.....	\$10 60
Receipts from Mite Society.....	19 75
Gift of Bishop.....	60 00
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Total.....	\$90 35

This parish is entirely out of debt. Owns a lot 100x200 feet, one block from public square, on which is a little chapel with recess chancel. It has been neatly painted outside and in, since the Bishop's visitation. Lay services, with a sermon and Sunday School are held every Sunday. The rector, Rev. D. W. Cox, holds services and preaches every second Thursday evening, and has administered the Communion once, and held services and preached twice, on two several Sundays during the year.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. H. WARNER, Senior Warden.

DAVIS COUNTY

Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. CHARLES REYNOLDS, D.D., Rector.

Since my last report I have continued to serve this parish as Rector pro tem. But I have nothing very favorable to report. Six families have removed during the past year, and but one has come in to supply their places. The finances of the congregation, are, of course, greatly reduced, but most of the people are hopeful that the return of abundant crops will cause their business to revive.

The records of the parish were destroyed by fire. I am unable, therefore, to give an accurate list of the communicants, but I think it numbers 22.

CHARLES REYNOLDS.

JACKSON COUNTY.

First Church, Nebraska, Rev. GEORGE TURNER, Rector.

Families, 11.

Baptisms:—Infants, 2; adults, 10; total, 12.

Confirmed 13.

Communicants:—Last reported, 10; added for present census, 2.

Communion—alms..... \$ 1.45

Contributions—For objects within the parish:

Improvements.....\$ 20.00

For Organ..... 130.00

————— \$150.00

Objects without the parish:

Domestic Missions.....\$ 5.00

————— 5.00

Total.....\$156.45

The Church building which we now occupy was purchased from a Baptist congregation, which, in the removals and changes of our frontier life, had passed out of existence. With some alterations and improvements, it is made into a very convenient and creditable Church, amply sufficient for all our purposes probably for some time to come. Of the purchase money, \$450 was the gift of Miss E. P. Shields, of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, through the Bishop. The Church was consecrated on the last Sunday in August ult., to the great joy of our "little flock."

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. John Memorial Church, Parsons, Kansas, Rev. B. F. MOWEN, Rector.

Families, 20.

Baptisms—Adult, 3.

Confirmations, 7.

Communicants, 25.

Burials, 2.

Sunday School: Teachers, 4; pupils, 20; total, 24.

Offerings :

Communion offerings.....	\$ 12 20
Weekly offerings, since March.....	23 00
Sunday School festival.....	29 80
Offerings of Sunday School children.....	3 45
Cost of Church about.....	5000 00
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Total.....	\$5068 45

A beautiful Prayer Book and Bible have been given to the Church by Mrs. Howard, of Rhode Island, who has been such a generous benefactor of our parish. We need, urgently, a Sunday School Library and bell.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Leavenworth, Rev. J. N. LEE, Rector.

Families, 10.

Baptisms : Infants, 11 ; adults, 2 ; total, 13.

Confirmed, 0. Marriages, 2. Burials, 10.

Communicants : Last reported, 24 ; added, 1 ; died, 1 ; removed, 10 ; present number, 14.

Sunday School : Teachers, 5 ; scholars, 40.

Communion alms..... \$16 50

Contributions—For objects within the parish : \$25 00

For objects without the parish :

Convention Fund..... 7 00

———— \$32 17

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$48 67

This parish has been exceedingly reduced in numbers and resources by the troubles of the last two years. It is out of debt nearly, but almost now like a new enterprise. There are a few fast friends left. The Rector has had a school the last year.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids, Rev. CHARLES HOLMES, Missionary.

Families, 18.

Baptisms : Infant, 2.

Communicants : Last reported, 11 ; removed, 1 : present number, 10.

Contributions, \$10.

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NEOSHO COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, Rev. B. F. Mowbray, Rector.
Baptisms: Infant, 6; adults, 1; total, 7.
Confirmed, 1; Burials, 1.
Communicants: Present number, 19.
Sunday School: Teachers, 1; scholars, 23; total, 27.

Communion dues.....	\$ 7 15
Contribution: Objects within the parish including a lot given valued at \$200.....	\$691 00
Object without the parish:	
Dinner Mission.....	2 35
	<hr/> \$693 35
Total communion dues and contributions.....	\$700 48

Since last report the Church building (considered now to be worth \$1,200,) has been painted and grained within, and furnished with the pews given by the Rev. Dr. Bakewell. We need still a communion service for the proper administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. A very valuable Sunday School Library has been given us by the Sunday School of St. Andrew's Church at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ Church, Salina, Rev. T. B. DOOLLY, Rector.

Families, 85. Individuals, 49.

Baptisms: Infants, 40; adults, 8; total, 48.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 16.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; added, 11; present number, 25.

Sunday School: Teachers, 2; scholars, 14; total, 16.

Contributions: Objects within the parish:

Expended.....	\$221 45
Donated by a Vestryman.....	300 60
	————\$521 45

Objects without the parish:

Widows and orphans of clergy.....	\$ 3 05
Diocesan Missions.....	1 35
Support of Episcopate.....	5 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Church Missionary Society.....	5 00
	————\$ 22 40

Total of contributions.....	\$543 85
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Out of debt, our Church painted and carpeted, and above all, consecrated to the holy worship of the Triune God, our hearts are made to rejoice in the hope of a sustaining and merciful Christ, the giver of all our blessings.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth Township, Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Rector.

Families, 20.

Confirmed, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 29; added, 1; present number, 30.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 45; total, 51.

Communion alms.....	\$ 6 70
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Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Church improvement.....	\$30 00
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Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$36 70
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WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, the Rev. THOMAS BETTS, Rector.

Families, 14; individuals, 12.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 6; total, 17.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 5.

Communicants: Present number, 22.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 53; total, 60.

Contributions—For objects within the parish.....	\$147 84
For objects without the parish.....	2 65
Total.....	\$150 49

Upon taking charge of this parish, I have failed to discover the number of communicants as set forth in the Journal of 1874, and trust that my report will be found satisfactory. The grasshopper plague has, to a considerable degree, crippled our resources, and the repairs and painting of the inside of the Church have drawn heavily upon our collections. We hope for better days in the future.

REV. C. E. BUTLER, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

During the past year, in addition to my duties as Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, I have held services on alternate Sundays at Emmanuel Church, Monmouth Township, and officiated at Grace Church, Topeka, quite a number of times, both before and since the resignation of its late Rector.

TOPEKA, September, 1875.

C. E. BUTLER.

REV. JOHN WOART, Post Chaplain U. S. A., Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

During the past year I have baptised one adult and four children; solemnized two marriages, and attended twelve funerals. There are at my post fifteen persons who join with me in the Lord's Supper.

During the year I have preached at my post twice every Sunday, lectured two evenings each week in Lent in the Chapel, and lectured once each week upon historical subjects, in the Soldier's Reading Room during the winter months.

In my last report I stated that I had officiated at a morning service at the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, since July, 1874. I have since continued these duties, adding a lecture on Saturday night during Lent, in a hall in a building occupied by the Rev. J. N. Lee, of St. John's Church, for a school. This service and prayers in the same hall on Wednesday afternoon, were for the benefit of both the parishes in Leavenworth. Mr. Lee and I united in them. I could only be present on Saturday.

The Church of St. Paul is, indeed, an important position for a clergyman. I trust that the parish will soon have a faithful pastor.

JOHN WOART.

FT. LEAVENWORTH, KANS., Sept. 7. 1875.

Dr. JOHN BAKEWELL, Treasurer, in account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas—1874-1875. *Cr.*

1871.			
Sept 12.....	To Balance.....	\$264 00	
	By cash paid Bishop Vail for printing Journal (being part of Bishop's address).....		\$ 33 00
Oct. 9.....	By cash paid N. Matthews, Treasurer General Convention, being per capita assessment for 24 clergy of Diocese of Kansas.....		73 00
1872.			
Jan. 20.....	By cash paid Bishop Vail, balance for printing Journal of 1871-1872.....		125 00
" ".....	By cash paid Bishop Vail towards his support, as by resolution of Convention of 1871.....		25 00
June 26.....	By cash paid Bishop Vail towards his support, as by resolution of Convention of 1872, (being balance on hand).....		9 60
		\$264 00	

APPENDIX D.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

BISHOP VAIL in account with Contributors to Diocesan Missions.

1874-5.

Dr.

To balance on hand from last account.....	\$285 52
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	15 00
" " Grace Church, Topeka.....	87 40
" " Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	21 55
" " Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	12 35
" " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	26 40
" " Trinity Church, Atchison.....	8 65
" " Church people at Cedarvale, Howard county.....	5 00
" " Church people at Ellsworth.....	1 00
" " Church people at Hays City.....	5 00
" " Church people at Irving.....	1 00
" " Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	2 65
" " Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	1 50
" " Zion Church, Centre Township, Marshall county...	2 00
" " St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	4 62
Amount actually received since last Convention.....	\$237 12
	————— \$512 64

1874-5

Cr.

By cash paid Rev. T. B. Dooley, Missionary at Salina.....	\$50 00
" " Rev. J. N. Lee, as per order of Executive Committee for Diocesan record.....	18 40
" " Rev. C. E. Butler, traveling expenses as missionary.....	98 50
" " Rev. T. A. Taggart, traveling expenses as missionary.....	31 00
" " Rev. A. Beatty, traveling expenses as missionary.....	15 00
" " Rev. Wm. H. Hickey, on account of salary.....	100 00
By balance on hand.....	129 74
Amount actually expended since last Convention.....	\$312 30
	————— \$512 64

PARISH ASSESSMENTS

For the year 1875-6, to be paid at or before the Convention of 1876.

	Convention Fund.	Support of Episcopate.	Total.
Atchison, Trinity Church.....	\$45 00	\$34 50	\$79 50
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's.....		5 00	5 00
Burlington, Ascension.....	10 00	22 00	32 00
Cedarvale, Mission.....		3 00	3 00
Centre Springs, Marshall Co., Zion Church.....	5 00	8 50	13 50
Chetopa, St. Paul's.....		3 00	3 00
Clear Fork, Marshall Co., Mission.....		2 00	2 00
Coffeyville, Montgomery Co., Mission.....		4 00	4 00
Ellsworth, Holy Apostle.....		8 00	8 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
Eureka, St. Thomas.....		10 00	10 00
Fort Leavenworth, Post Chapel.....	5 00	8 50	13 50
Fort Riley, Post Chapel.....	5 00	4 00	9 00
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's.....	30 00	29 00	59 00
Girard, St. John's.....	5 00	8 00	13 00
Independence, Epiphany.....	5 00	16 00	21 00
Junction City, Covenant.....	10 00	11 00	21 00
Irving, Trinity.....		2 00	2 00
Lawrence, Trinity.....	45 00	50 00	95 00
Leavenworth, Church of St. Paul.....	45 00	43 50	88 50
Leavenworth, St. John's.....	10 00	7 00	17 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's.....	20 00	25 00	45 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel.....	5 00	15 00	20 00
Netawaka, Christ.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mary's.....		3 50	3 50
Salina, Christ Church.....	5 00	12 50	17 50
Topeka, Grace Church.....	15 00	40 00	55 00
Wakefield, St. John's.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's.....	5 00	11 00	16 00
Parsons, St. John's Memorial Church.....	5 00	11 50	16 50
Osage Mission, St. Peter's.....	5 00	9 50	14 50
Total.....	\$325 00	\$432 00	\$757 00

Assessments Unpaid at or Before the Convention of 1875—Still Due.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	\$100 00
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	45 00
St. Andrew's, Emporia.....	15 00
Grace Church, Topeka.....	15 00
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5 00
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	34 00
St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	2 83
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	5
Total.....	\$251 83

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

-----Church, ----- (Town or City.)

The Rev. -----, Rector or Minister.

Families. —: individuals (not included in families,) —.

Baptisms: Infants, —: adults, —: total, —.

Confirmed, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.

Communicants: Last reported, —: added, —: died or removed, —: present number, —.

Sunday School: Teachers, —: scholars, —.

Communion alms, \$—.

Contributions: For objects within the parish (not including salary and current expenses,) \$—: for objects without the parish, \$—: total of communion alms and contributions, \$—.

(Remarks embodying anything of interest in the parish.)

N. B.—Under the head of "Contributions," the several objects should be specified.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families, and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of the parish of ----- Church, (name of the city or town,) county of -----, State of Kansas, and by so doing do adopt the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese of Kansas.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the annual meeting of the Parish (or, in case the Parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the Vestry) of ----- Church, in -----, held on the ----- day of -----, A. D., who is a member of the said Parish was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at -----, on the ----- day of -----, in the year of our Lord -----.

[Signed.]

-----,
Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of -----.

Or,

----- } Wardens.

Or,

-----,
Minister of ----- Church.

NOTE.—The names of all the delegates may be included in one certificate.

OFFICERS OF CONVENTION AND DIOCESE.

BISHOP—**RT. REV. THOMAS HUBBARD VAIL, D.D., L.L.D. Topeka.**

Secretary—**REV. C. E. BUTLER, Topeka.**

Treasurer—**MR. J. W. FARNSWORTH, Topeka.**

Registrar—**REV. D. W. COX, Fort Scott.**

STANDING COMMITTEE.

REV. Charles Reynolds, D.D., Fort Riley; Rev. J. N. Lee, Leavenworth.
Rev. A. Beatty, ———; Rev. C. E. Butler, Topeka, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, C.
C. Kellam, J. W. Farnsworth, S. W. Stone.

Trustees of General Theological Seminary—**Rev. Charles Reynolds, D.D.**

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Rev. John Bakewell, D. D., Rev. Thomas G. Carver, D. D., Rev. Paul
Ziegler, Rev. L. L. Holden and Messrs. S. W. Stone, George Geiger, J. W.
Farnsworth, C. W. Babcock.

VISITORS AND EXAMINERS OF THE COLLEGE OF THE SISTERS OF BETHANY.

Revs. A. Beatty, J. H. Lee, T. G. Carver, D. D., D. W. Cox, Paul Ziegler,
Charles Holmes, John Wourt, and Messrs. C. C. Kellam, J. H. Stringfellow, L.
J. Hopkins, B. L. Kingsbury.

TRUSTEES OF THE COLLEGE.

Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D.D., president, *ex officio*, Topeka; F. W. Giles,
secretary, Topeka; Rev. C. Reynolds, D.D., Fort Riley; Rev. J. N. Lee, Leav-
enworth; Hon. Wilson Shannon, Lawrence; J. W. Farnsworth, Topeka; S. S.
Prouty, Topeka.

TRUSTEES OF THE KANSAS THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D.D., president *ex officio*, Topeka; the Revs.
John Bakewell, ————; all of Kansas, and Herman Dyer, D.D., of
New York; and Messrs. George Geiger, James C. Horton, ———, Alfred G. Otis,
all of Kansas, and James F. Shenfer, of New York.

REFERRED TO THE CONVENTION OF 1876.

A proposed amendmemt to Canon II, making it obligatory
upon parishes to elect their lay delegates from their communi-
cants.



APPENDIX E.

**CONSTITUTION, CANONS, ORDER OF BUSINESS,
AND
RULES OF ORDER
OF THE
CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.**

SEPTEMBER, 1875.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, accedes to the general Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE II.

Annual Convention.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday in September, annually, at each place as the preceeding Annual Convention shall have appointed.

SEC. 2. In case of the prevalence of an epidemic disease at the time or place previously appointed, the ecclestical authority of the Diocese may appoint such other time and place as may seem expedient. And special meetings of the Convention

may be called by the ecclesiastical authority, whenever, in the judgment of the same, the good of the Church shall require. Provided, that, in either of these cases, notice shall be given by the ecclesiastical authority to every Clergyman, and the Vestry of every parish in union with this Convention, at least thirty days before the time of meeting. And provided, that no business shall be done at any special Convention other than that specified in the notice calling such Convention.

SEC. 3. The presence of at least one fourth of the Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Delegates from at least one-fourth of the parishes in union with the Convention, shall be necessary to the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

ARTICLE III.

Members of Convention.

SECTION 1. The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SEC. 2. The Bishop, and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, shall have a seat and a vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Church, canonically resident in the Diocese, being a minister in charge of a congregation in union with the Convention, or an assistant minister duly elected, or being a minister employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or, being permanently engaged as a Teacher, or Professor, or Principal, or Chaplain, in any literary or benevolent or public institution, and also actually resident in the Diocese, and officiating in the same in his ministry, to the satisfaction of the ecclesiastical authority, for three months next preceeding the Convention; or, being a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States—shall be entitled to a seat and a vote in this Convention. Every other clergyman, canonically a resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to a seat, but not to a vote, in this Convention. And no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat or a vote in this Convention, shall be deprived of the same on account of temporary absence, or on account of old age, or of physical infirmity, disqualifying him for the performance of his official duties.

SEC. 3. Every parish in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, not exceeding three, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry: a certificate of whose appointment, signed by the wardens or clerk of the parish or of the vestry, or by the minister of the parish or station, shall, before his or their admission, be laid before the Convention; but any parish neglecting or refusing, for two successive years, to pay its assessments, shall not be entitled to a representation in the Convention until such assessments are paid, unless for a good cause exonerated by a vote of the Convention. The delegation from each parish represented shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to but one vote.

SEC. 4. In all questions or appeals touching the right of any person to a seat or vote, the Convention itself shall decide.

ARTICLE IV.

President of the Convention.

SECTION 1. The Bishop, or in his absence, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, or the Bishop in charge of the Diocese, shall be, *ex officio*, President of the Convention. In his absence, or in a vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, or, in his absence, the senior Presbyter present, shall call the Convention to order, and preside *pro tempore*, until the Committee on the qualifications of members shall have reported, and the roll of persons entitled to seats shall have been called, when the Convention shall choose a President from the Presbyters of the Diocese present.

SEC. 2. Each daily session of the Convention shall be opened with the Morning Prayer: and at the opening of the Convention the Lord's Supper shall also be administered, and a sermon shall be preached by some Clergyman appointed by the Bishop, when the Bishop himself does not deliver a sermon or charge. In the case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall take order for the opening services, and shall appoint the preacher. Episcopal charges delivered before the Convention shall be published by the Convention without any motion to that effect.

ARTICLE V.

Business of the Convention.

The Clergy and Lay delegates shall deliberate as one body, and vote as such, except when a division by orders is called for by two clerical members, or by the lay delegations from two parishes represented. When a division is called for, a concurrence of a majority of both orders present shall be necessary to decide any question. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

Election of Secretary.

Immediately upon the organization of the Annual Convention, a Secretary shall be chosen from among the clerical members thereof, after a *viva voce* nomination, who shall continue in office until a successor shall be appointed, and who shall have power to appoint an assistant. It shall be his duty to take minutes of the proceedings, and to enter them when approved in a proper book, to preserve the journal and records, to attest the acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers in his possession by virtue of his office, all which are the property of the Convention. And it shall also be his duty to notify the time and place of the next Annual Convention, or of any Special Convention when requested so to do by the ecclesiastical authority.

SEC. 2. No moneys shall be disbursed by the Treasurer, except by order of the Convention, signed by the Secretary, or by order of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, signed by the Secretary of said Committee.

SEC. 3. In case of death, resignation, removal from the Diocese, or other disability, of the Treasurer, the Standing Committee shall appoint in his stead a Treasurer, to whom all funds, books and papers in the hands of the late Treasurer, by virtue of his office, all which are the property of the Diocese, shall be delivered, and who shall continue in office until the next Annual Convention, or until a successor shall be appointed.

ARTICLE VIII.

Election of Diocesan Registrar.

At each Annual Convention a Registrar shall be appointed who shall continue in office until his successor shall be chosen, whose duty it shall be to procure such papers, files, reports, journals, records, letters, and other documents printed or manuscript, relative to the history of the Church in this Diocese as are now, or may hereafter become, the property of this Convention, and to preserve the same in some safe and accessible place of deposit; and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as this Convention may from time to time prescribe.

ARTICLE IX.

Election of Standing Committee.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committee, to consist of four Presbyters and four Communicants of the Diocese, shall be chosen annually, each order choosing its own members, subject to the approval of the other order. At their first meeting, which shall be as soon as convenient after their election they shall appoint a President from among the clerical members. At the same meeting they shall elect also a Secretary, who shall keep a record of their proceedings, in a book provided for the purpose, attest the acts of the Committee, preserve the original of all papers and letters addressed to the Committee, and in due time deliver to his successor all books and papers which, being in his possession by virtue of his office, are the property of the Committee.

SEC. 2. The minutes and papers of the Committee shall be open to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention.

SEC. 3. The Committee shall have power to supply vacancies which may occur in their body during the recess of the Convention.

SEC. 4. Any five members of the Committee, the whole having been duly summoned, shall be a quorum, except for such purposes as by their own rules, or by the laws of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

The Committee shall, on the requisition of the Bishop, be summoned as a Council of Advice, by the President, or, in case of his inability to act, through absence or sickness, by the Secretary.

Special meetings may be called by the President, or by the Secretary at the request of the Bishop.

ARTICLE X.

Election of Deputies to General Convention.

SEC. 1. At every Annual Convention next preceeding the regular Triennial meeting of the General Convention, four Clerical Deputies, and four Lay Deputies who shall be communicants of this Church, shall be elected to represent this Diocese in the General Convention, each order choosing its own representatives by ballot, subject to the approval of the other order. The Convention shall also elect, in like manner, the same number of Supplementary Deputies of each order, to serve as Deputies contingently. These Deputies and Supplementary Deputies shall continue in office for three years, or until successors shall be elected.

SEC. 1. In case of resignation, or inability to perform the duties of the appointment, on the part of any deputies, notice to this effect shall be given by them, in writing, to the Bishop or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, if possible, one month before the meeting of the General Convention. The Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall thereupon designate such and so many of the Supplementary Deputies as shall be necessary to secure a full representation of the Diocese, and the persons so designated shall have all the power and authority of Deputies duly elected by this Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

Election of Bishop.

SEC. 1. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention, or in a special Convention called for the purpose by the Standing Committee at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by

notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every Clergyman and Vestry of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. The election shall be by ballot; each order voting separately, and each parish being entitled to but one vote, as in the case of a division by orders, and the concurrence of a majority of both orders present shall be necessary to a choice: *Provided*, That two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present at the Convention, and two-thirds of all the Congregations entitled to vote be represented at the Convention; and *Provided*, That if a less number than two-thirds of either order be present at the Convention, then two-thirds of those present of that order, shall be necessary to constitute the choice of that order.

ARTICLE XII.

Admission of Parishes.

New parishes may be admitted into union with this Convention, on motion, by a majority of votes: *Provided*, That they shall have laid before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the wardens or by the clerk, that they accede to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and that they are duly organized according to the Articles of Associations adopted by this Convention, and that said articles have been signed by at least five men not under twenty-one years of age, and that the parish has been duly incorporated in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of Vacant Parishes.

SEC. 1. On the organization of any new parish in this Diocese, or on the occurrence of a vacancy in the ministry of any existing parish, it shall be the duty of the Wardens or other officers of such parish, to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop: and until provision be made for the regular supply of such parish, the Bishop may cause it to be supplied as frequently as convenient at his discretion by missionary services, or by the Clergy of the other parishes, officiating, by his direction in such order of rotation as he may judge practicable.

SEC. 2 In order to maintain public worship in vacant parishes, the Bishop may, on the recommendation of the Vestry,

appoint lay readers, who shall be either candidates for orders or other laymen of exemplary character for morals and piety, and who, under the direction of the Bishop, or, if it be not convenient for the Bishop to direct in the matter, under the direction of some Clergymen of the Diocese whom he may appoint, may, on any Sunday, or other proper occasion, read the service of the Church, and a sermon from the works of some approved divine.

ARTICLE XIV.

Rights of the Clergy.

No Clergyman shall be suspended or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto in the way provided for by the Canons of this Diocese.

ARTICLE XV.

Rights of the Laity.

A communicant repelled by the ministry from the Holy Communion, may appeal to the Bishop, and if the Bishop, after consideration of the case as presented by the minister and the person repelled, does not see fit to restore him, he may demand a further inquiry, whereupon the Bishop shall appoint two Presbyters and two lay-communicants, who shall make inquiry into the truth of the facts alleged, and shall report thereof, stating their own opinion of the case, to the Bishop, who shall thereupon make a final decision in the case.

ARTICLE XVI.

Mode of Altering the Constitution.

This Constitution may be altered in the manner following: --The proposed amendment in writing shall be offered at an Annual Convention, and, if on motion approved by a majority, shall lie over till the next following Annual Convention, when on motion it may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds, on a motion by orders.

C A N O N S.

CANON I.

List of the Clergy.

On or before the day appointed for the opening of the Convention, the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee, shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all ministers canonically or actually resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, parishes or missionary stations, or of the institutions in which they are engaged ; but no clergyman while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list. The list thus made shall designate such as are entitled to a seat and to a vote in the Convention, and such as are entitled to a seat and not to a vote in the Convention, and shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary immediately after the Convention shall have been called to order ; and the names of the Clerical members shall be called therefrom. The same shall be inserted in the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

CANON II.

Attendance at the Convention.

It shall be the duty of all Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every Church or congregation in union with the Convention, to send to the same one or more lay delegates, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the parish to be represented, or by its Vestry, and evidence of the election of lay delegates shall be a certificate signed by the Clerk of the Parish or of the Vestry, or by the Wardens, or by the Minister, in substance as follows :

This is to certify that, at the Annual Meeting of the Parish (or at a meeting of the Vestry) of ——— Church, in ———, held on the ——— day of ———, A. D., who is a member of the said parish, was appointed a Lay Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be holden at ———, on the ——— day ———, in the year of our Lord ———.

(Signed.)

CANON III.

Parochial Registrars and Reports.

SECTION 1. It is hereby required that every Minister of this Church shall carefully prepare and keep a Parochial Register, such as is described and ordered in Title I, Canon XII, section V., paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. Every Minister of this Church, or if a parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a Parochial Report such as is described and ordered in Title I, Canon 15, section I, of the aforesaid Digest.

CANON IV.

Election and Duties of Wardens and Vestries.

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each parish an election of a Vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall, whenever practicable, be communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall be of the male electors in the parish.

In case there be no meeting, or no election, on the day above named, the Rector, the Warden, or any five electors, may call a parish meeting for such election, notice of which meeting shall be given at a public service on the Lord's Day, or by three written notices of the same, posted in the town or city, for at least three successive days, one of which notices shall be posted on the door of the church or place for holding public services; and until a new Vestry is elected, the existing Wardens and Vestry shall continue in office.

The electors shall be communicants of the parish, and also members of the congregation who have attained their majority, and who have been, except in the case of the organization of a parish, and at the first election, regular or habitual attendants upon the public worship and services of the Church, for at least three months preceding the election, and who, during the year preceding, have contributed to the support of the same. Only the electors present at any meeting shall vote, and no proxies shall be received. If any question shall arise as to the right of any person to vote as a communicant, the Rector, if there be one, or in his absence, or in a vacancy in the Rectorship, the Wardens, shall decide it; and as to the right of any person not a communicant, the existing Vestry shall decide it. No person shall be counted as a communicant, until he or she has actually communicated in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Other qualifications, not inconsistent with this section, may be prescribed by the several parishes, and this Canon shall not affect the existing rules of parishes already received into union with this Convention, under special constitutions.

SEC. 2. At their first meeting, the Vestry shall appoint a clerk, whose duty it shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Vestry, and to record them in a book, and to do such other acts as usually belong to the clerks of corporations. They shall also elect, if the parish have failed to do so at the Annual Meeting, a Senior and a Junior Warden. In all Vestries into which less than five Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, one of the Wardens, in the order of seniority, shall preside. In all Vestries into which five or more Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, a Warden, or in the absence of both Rector and Wardens, a chairman, *pro tem*, elected by the body, shall preside.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to elect the Rector, to fill vacancies in their own number, to take charge of the property and to transact the temporal business of the parish, and to discharge, in the absence of the Wardens, the special duties of those officers.

It shall also be the duty of the Vestry to make a report to the annual parish meeting, giving a statement of the receipts and expenditures of all moneys subject to their direction, during the preceding year, and also presenting such other matters, in relation to the general welfare and condition of the parish, as they think proper.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Wardens to take charge of the communion-plate, books, and vestments of the parish, and keep them in proper condition for the decent celebration of public worship, to provide the elements for the Holy Communion, to collect the alms of the congregation and present them to the minister, to supply temporary religious services when there is no Rector, to see that order and decorum are observed during the public worship, and to act, at the request of the Rector, as his council of advice, and to assist him in discharging the discipline and duties of his office.

SEC. 5. Whenever the term Rector is used in this or any other Canon of this Diocese, it is to be understood of any minister duly elected or appointed to the charge of a parish.

CANON V.

Conventional Assessments.

It shall be the duty of Rectors, Church Wardens and Vestries, to see that the amount assessed upon their respective parishes by the Convention, for incidental expenses, and other Church purposes, authorized and directed by the Convention, be regularly and promptly collected and transmitted to the Treasurer, so as to be included in his Annual Report.

CANON VI.

Trial of a Clergyman.

SECTION 1. If any minister of this Church have committed offenses for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, or if he be accused, by public rumor, of such offenses, a formal complaint in writing, stating the offenses charged, may be made to the Bishop, by any three communicants of this Church, one of whom at least shall be a Presbyter.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall thereupon institute an enquiry, as to the truth of the charges made, and if, upon such enquiry, there be *prima facie* evidence against the accused, he shall report the facts to the Standing Committee, who shall thereupon make further enquiry, and if they deem the charges well founded, shall present said Clergyman to the Bishop for trial. In the presentment, which shall be written, the charges shall be distinct and definite, and under each² separate charge, the specifications of particular acts shall be made clear and exact, as to time, place and circumstances of the offenses charged.

SEC. 3. The presentment being received, the Bishop shall carefully consider it, and, if he deem the offenses charged, or any of the offenses charged, as not coming within the intention of the Canon of the General Convention which defines the offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, he shall return the presentment, or that part of it to which he finds objection, to the Standing Committee, stating to them, in writing, his reasons for so doing: whereupon, if the Standing Committee shall concur with him in his action, they shall communicate to him, in writing, their concurrence, and the presentment, or that part of it in the objection to which they concur, shall be dismissed, and the accused shall be notified of the result. But, if the Standing Committee do not concur with the Bishop in his action, they shall so inform him in writing, and may thereupon renew the presentment or that part of it in the objection to which they do not concur, in which case the accused shall be tried as presented.

SEC. 4. The Bishop may, if he deem it proper, prohibit the accused from the exercise of his ministry, during the period between his final reception of the presentment, and the acquittal, certified or the sentence pronounced by him, after the judgment of the Court upon the trial. And during the same period he may appoint or authorize other clergymen to exercise ministerial duties in the parish where the accused was officiating. But such prohibition shall not, during the time of its continuance, affect the Rectorial relations of the accused, if he be settled in a parish, except in acts ministerial and pastoral.

SEC. 5. Upon the renewal of the presentment, in whole or in part, as the case may be, or, if upon first receiving it, he shall deem the offenses charged to be such as are contemplated in the Canon aforesaid, the Bishop shall appoint a time, and place as near as convenient to the place where the offenses charged are alleged to have been committed, for the trial, and shall select and summon a Board of four Presbyters, none of whom shall be members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the judges both of the law and the facts; and he shall, at least seventy days before the time appointed for the trial, inform the Standing Committee of his action in these particulars. He shall, at least six weeks before the time appointed for the trial, furnish the names of the Board to the accused, who shall have the right at any time prior to three weeks before the day fixed for the trial, to peremptorily challenge two of them, and also challenge any member of the Court who may have formed or expressed against the accused an opinion, as to the facts charged in the presentment, of such prejudice as to disqualify him from acting impartially as a member of the Court; and, in the case of the exercise of this right by the accused, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters in the place of those challenged, and these second appointees shall not be subject to challenge, except for prejudice. The Board will then be required to be organized as a Court. When any member of the Court is challenged for cause, as having formed or expressed a prejudiced opinion as to the facts charged against the accused, the Bishop shall test the exception taken, as the Judge does in similar cases in the secular courts, and his decision shall be final. Should any of the Presbyters summoned give notice to the Bishop, before the day appointed for the trial, of unavoidable inability to be present, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy. Or, should any of the Presbyters summoned, through death, or sickness, or other unavoidable cause of absence, fail to be present on the day appointed for the trial, the members present may adjourn until the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy, or, if the party accused shall waive the requirement of four judges, the trial may proceed before the members present.

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prior to the trial.

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be taken into consideration by the Court. Evi-



witnesses, to take order for the procuring of depositions, and to do whatever is necessary for the due investigation of the charges on the trial.

SEC. 9. The Standing Committee shall be the prosecutors in the case, and shall appoint one of their number a Judge Advocate to conduct the prosecution. They shall cite the accused to trial, giving him, at least sixty days before the trial, a copy of the presentment, add at least sixty days' notice of the time and place of trial, and he shall not be tried, unless he himself request it, on any other charges or specifications except those contained in the presentment. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the ground of his defense on each specification, or with a denial, general or specific, of the specifications.

SEC. 10. If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear or to answer in person, or by his authorized representative, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and the Bishop shall pronounce against him the sentence of suspension from the ministry for contumacy and violation of this Canon, until he shall tender himself for trial on the presentment, but the said sentence shall be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall declare himself ready to appear and answer before the Court, and, whenever he shall so declare himself, the Court shall proceed in the trial; but if he shall not so declare and tender himself within six months, the Bishop may, at any time thereafter, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, pronounce against him, for his continued contumacy and violation of this Canon, the sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SEC. 11. If the accused shall appear, the Court shall proceed to trial on the presentment, and shall judge him guilty or not guilty, on the several charges and specifications, according to the evidence; and, if he be found guilty, the Court shall declare to the Bishop the Canonical sentence to which he ought, in their judgment, to be subjected.

SEC. 12. An attested copy of the presentment, of the answer of the accused, of the notes of the evidence, and of the final judgment of the Court—being of the entire record of the Court—shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall, within ten days, give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, with a copy, if the accused desired it, of the judgment of the Court on the several charges and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same charges. If the Court judge him *guilty* on one or more of the charges or specifications, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment, and order a revision or reconsideration of the evidence, and the rendering of a new judgment, in the points disapproved; or, if new and important evidence in the case be laid before him, he shall recommit the case to the Court and order a new trial, stating his reasons in either case for such a decision; or, if he approve the judgment, he shall, within thirty days, pronounce against the accused such Canonical sentence as the case may, in his judgment, require, whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, provided the penalty be not greater than that expressed in the judgment of the Court.

SEC. 13. If, in the absence of public rumor, or of a formal complaint, or if, at any time before or after a formal complaint, as provided for in the first section of this Canon, and before the selection and summoning of the Court or Board of four Presbyters, provided for in the fourth section of this Canon, a clergyman shall confess to the Bishop that he is guilty of any offense or offenses, for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, such confession, in the form of a statement made in writing, by such clergyman, may be laid by the Bishop before the clerical members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the Court for such case, and who shall, thereupon, as soon as they conveniently can do so, communicate to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the party confessing, and as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced. If the Bishop approve the judgment, he shall, within ten days, pronounce sentence as prescribed and authorized in the latter clause of section 12.

If, after the summoning of the Court, and before or during the trial, the accused shall confess the substantial truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, or shall confess to any offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, the Court may be immediately organized, and may dispense with hearing testimony after such confession, and shall proceed at once to state to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the accused, and the sentence that ought to be pronounced, and the Bishop shall, within ten days, proceed to pronounce sentence as directed in the previous paragraph of this section.

SEC. 14. In case of the suspension of any clergyman, such suspension is understood to be from the exercise of the functions of the ministry, and shall be for a limited period, or until the offender gives to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of contrition and reformation, or it may include both these conditions. Suspension shall, *ipso facto*, sever the connection between the clergyman so suspended and his parish, and, also, during the period of its continuance, vacate his seat in the Diocesan Convention.

SEC. 15. In all trials, the accused may employ as counsel a lay communicant of this church, in which case the prosecutors may exercise the same privilege.

SEC. 16. Every summons, notice, or citation mentioned in this Canon, as a part of these proceedings, shall be deemed to be duly served by the delivery of a written notice or paper to the person to be summoned, notified, or cited, or by leaving it or a certified copy of it at his residence or last known residence, by a person duly appointed, in writing, by the Bishop, Standing Committee, or Court.

CANON VII.

Missionary Organization.

SEC. 1. At every Annual Convention there shall be elected a committee of four clergymen and four laymen, with the Bishop of the Diocese as President, to be called the Executive Missionary Committee.

SEC. 2. To this Executive Committee shall be referred the administration of the general missionary work of the

Diocese, subject to the regulations of the Convention, said committee to report of its proceedings, and of any Diocesan missionary operations of which it shall be regularly informed, to the Annual Convention. This Committee shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall be *ex officio* a member of the committee.

SEC. 3. All district and other associations, which may at any time be formed for the furtherance of the missionary organization of the Diocese, are hereby recognized as part of the missionary organization of the Diocese: provided that such associations be approved by the Bishop, and give notice of their organization to the Executive Committee, and report to it their proceedings of the previous year, at least one month prior to the meeting of the Convention.

CANON VIII.

Missionary and Charitable Collections.

As activity in the missionary work is the bounden duty of all Christians, and as liberal giving according to our opportunity should ever accompany prayer to the Lord of the Harvest, and is an important test of Christian character, it is hereby earnestly recommended, that at least one collection in each month, making twelve collections in each year, should be made in every parish for extra parochial objects, of which collections, four in all, or one in each quarter, on or about the third Sunday in February, May, August and November, should be for Diocesan Missions, one in the Advent season for Domestic Missions, one in the Epiphany season for Foreign Missions, and the other six for the same, or such other missionary or benevolent objects as may be of special interest to the Rector of the parish. The particular object for which each collection is made, shall be always notified to the congregation.

CANON IX.

Aid for aged and Indigent Clergymen.

SEC. 1. A fund to be known as the Christmas Fund, for the support of aged and indigent clergymen of the Diocese, shall be raised by a collection in each parish, on Christmas day, or on the Sunday preceding or succeeding Christmas day.

SEC. 2. The amount collected by each parish shall be forwarded without delay to the Bishop of the Diocese, who, with the advice of the lay members of the Standing Committee, shall invest the same in good security, and use the interest and the principal of the same, or such part thereof as may be necessary to carry out the object named in section 1 of this Canon.

CANON X.

Order of Business and Rules of Order.

The Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order, at any time adopted by this Convention, are hereby adopted and authorized as a part of this Canon. They shall continue permanently in force until amended or repealed as other Canons, and they shall be subject to alteration in the manner provided by this Convention for the alteration of the Canons.

CANON XI.

Report on the State of the Church.

The Annual Convention immediately preceding the triennial meetings of the General Convention, shall provide that a Report and Balance Statement of the State of the Church in the Diocese for the three years preceding shall be prepared, and placed in the hands of one of the Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, for the purpose stated in Title I, Canon 13, Section A, of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

CANON XII.

Discipline.

Persons connected with this Church by baptism, who are habitually negligent of the duty of public worship, or of other Christian obligations, shall be kindly admonished by the Minister, if convicted, who have never drawn nigh to the Lord's Table, shall be earnestly urged to prepare themselves for the administration of the service of the followers of Christ; and continue dissenting themselves from Divine Service or from the Supper of the Lord for six months, without reasonable excuse, shall be seriously exhorted to return to their duty, and

if they still so absent themselves, may, after one year, be repelled or suspended from the Holy Communion.

CANON XIII.

Alterations of the Canons.

No alteration of any Canon, and no addition to the Canons, shall be considered or made, until such alteration or addition shall have been referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, and reported upon by that Committee. *Standing Resolution of 1868, having the force of a Canon.*

Resolved, That at each Annual session of the Convention, the Committee on Finance shall assess the parishes for conventional expenses, in proportion to the Convention, and, if approved by the same, shall be published in the appendix of the journal.

EXTRACTS FROM CANON 12 OF TITLE I, ENTITLED.

“GENERAL REGULATIONS OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.”

§ I. [1.] It is hereby required that on the election of a minister into any Church or parish, the Vestry shall deliver or caused to be delivered to the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect :

“We the Church Wardens, (*or, in case of an Assistant Minister*) we, the Rector and Church Wardens, do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop*) or, to the Rev. (*naming the President of the Standing Committee*) that (*naming the Person*) has been duly choosen Rector (*or Assistant Minister, as the case may be*) of (*naming the parish or Church*).”

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify. (This certificate is to be recorded by the Secretary of the Convention in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.)

§ II. No Minister removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, Stated

Minister or Assistant Minister of any parish or congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing."

§ III. The alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

§ IV. [2.] At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Church Wardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

[3.] And, further, the ministers and Churchwardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

§ V. [1.] Every Minister of this Church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the use of such a register.

[3.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future minister in the same parish.

§ VII. A Minister of this Church removing within the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other ecclesiastical authority, shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to

said ecclesiastical authority a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The testimonial may be in the following words:—
 “I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the ecclesiastical authority of ———, is a Presbyterian (or, Deacon) of ———, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion or viciousness of life, for three years last past.”

[2.] All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dismissory. No such letter shall effect a Minister's canonical residence until, after having been presented, according to its address, it shall have been accepted, and notification of such acceptance given to the authority whence it proceeded. The residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letter of Transfer.

EXTRACTS FROM CANON 15 OF TITLE I OF THE
 DIGEST OF CANONS OF THE GENERAL
 CONVENTION, ENTITLED, “ON THE
 MODE OF SECURING AN ACCU-
 RATE VIEW OF THE STATE
 OF THE CHURCH.”

§ 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or, if the parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his parish, also of the

amount of the Communion Alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign, for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such part of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the Journals thereof.

§ II. At every Annual Diocesan Convention the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese, names of Churches visited, number of persons confirmed, &c., and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the Journals.

§ III. At every General Convention the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, Episcopal charges, addresses, &c., shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (A Committee of that House thereupon draws up a report on the state of the Church, sending it to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will publish a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.) And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a Pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

§ IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, &c., to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

§ V. It is recommended that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese prepare, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Diocese, &c., for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, &c., in drafting their reports.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

For the first Day of the Session.

A. M.

After Morning Prayer, Sermon, or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion, the President will take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows :

I. 1. The Secretary shall call over the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats, from a list presented by the Bishop, and shall receive the certificates of Lay Delegates, as the names of the Parishes are called.

2. The President will appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to receive, examine, and report upon the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates : after which a recess may be taken.

P. M.

II. 1. The Committee on Qualifications shall report.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

5. The appointment by the President of five **Standing Committees**, viz: a Committee on the admission of new Parishes, a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, a Committee on Diocesan Institutions,—to consist each of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee of Finance,—to consist each of three members, one Clergymen and two Laymen.

6. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

III. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he should prefer another time for its delivery; if so, it shall be in order at any time.

IV. Reports and action upon the same, in the following order:

1. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.
3. Report from the Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.
4. Report from the Committee on new Parishes, the admission of the Parishes, and the reception of their Lay Delegates.
5. Report from the Standing Committee.
6. Report from the Executive Missionary Committee.
7. Report from the Trustees of Diocesan Institutions.
8. Report from the Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.
9. Report from the Committee on Unfinished Business.
10. Parochial Reports to be presented to the Bishop.

If any Report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed, and it shall be presented and be in order, at the first vacancy in the order of business, after it shall be prepared.

V. Miscellaneous Business, such as proposed changes in the Constitutions and Canons, matters to be referred to special or other Committees, Resolutions, etc.

For the Second Day of the Session.

After Morning Prayer,

I. 1. Reading and approval of the minutes of the previous day.

2. Report from the Committee on Qualifications, of members not present nor reported on the preceding day; the names of such Clergymen and the Credentials of such Lay Delegates having been previously handed to the Secretary, and by him referred to said Committee.

3. The calling of the Roll of members.

II. The finishing of the business, if any, which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

III. The disposal of the unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

IV. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Elections at 11 o'clock, A. M., in the following order:

1. Election of Treasurer.

2. Election of Registrar.

3. Election of Deputies to the General Convention.

4. Election of Standing Committee.

5. Election of Trustees (nominated) of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Executive Missionary Committee.

7. Election of Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.

VI. Report of the Committee on State of the Church.

VII. Report of the Finance Committee.

VIII. 1. Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, and action thereon.

2. Report of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the Session, and action thereon.

IX. Miscellaneous Business.

X. The reading and approval of the minutes.

XI. Singing, Prayers, Benediction by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the Senior Presbyter present. Adjournment *sine die*.

For the Third or other Subsequent Day of the Session.

I. Morning Prayer, Reading, etc., of the Minutes, Reception of new Members, Calling of the Roll, and finishing Business under consideration at last adjournment, as on Second day.

II. The disposal of the Unfinished Business of the Convention, in the order above described.

II. RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the chair.

No member shall absent himself from the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the member shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or shall be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented it shall be read and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house; and, if accompanied by resolution the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order—1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To divide; 6, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named; and a question on any of these proceedings shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE VII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE VIII. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, when no member is speaking, and if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. When votes or Election by orders are called for (by three Clerical members or by the lay delegations from three Parishes,) each Clergyman and each Parish shall be entitled to one vote, and there must be a concurrence of the majority of both orders voting, and the yeas and nays, when taken, shall be entered on the minutes.

RULE X. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XI. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

RULE XII. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

RULE XIII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made: no after amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be received under color of a substitute.

RULE XIV. The mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before decision or amendment, with the

consent of the Convention, in which case it shall not be entered on the minutes.

RULE XV. A question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

RULE XVII. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the tellers, or committee appointed to count the ballots, withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay member shall be allowed to vote between such withdrawal and the announcement of the result of the election to the Convention, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application, in form, of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XVIII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

RULE XIX. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

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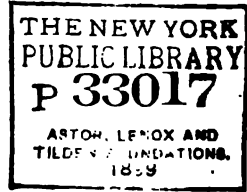
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ORGANIZED PARISHES.

Trinity Church.....	Atchison.
St. Mark's Church.....	Baxter Spring.
St. Mark's Church.....	Blue Rapids.
Church of the Ascension.....	Burlington.
Zion Church.....	Center Towns.
St. Paul's Church.....	Chetopa.
St. Andrew's Church.....	Emporia.
St. Andrew's Church.....	Fort Scott.
St. John's Church.....	Girard.
Church of the Epiphany.....	Independence.
Church of the Covenant.....	Junction City.
Trinity Church.....	Lawrence.
Church of St. Paul.....	Leavenworth.
Church of St. John.....	Leavenworth.
St. Paul's Church.....	Manhattan.
Emmanuel Church.....	Monmouth.
St. Mark's Church.....	Oskaloosa.
St. Peter's Church.....	Osage Mission.
St. John's Memorial Church.....	Parsons.
Christ Church.....	Salina.
Grace Church.....	Topeka.
Trinity Church.....	Troy.
St. John's Church.....	Wakefield.
St. Luke's Church.....	Wamego.
St. Paul's Church.....	Wyandotte.

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	Ellsworth.
St. Thomas' Church.....	Eureka.
Emmanuel Church.....	Humboldt.
Grace Church.....	Garnett.
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	Ottawa.
St. John's Church.....	Wichita.

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	Fort Leavenworth.
Post Chapel.....	Fort Riley.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE
DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Topeka.

The Rev. John Bakewell, D. D.

The Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R.

The Rev. Thomas Betts, Rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.

The Rev. C. E. Butler, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, and Missionary at Monmouth.

The Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.

The Rev. Chas. S. Daniel, Rector of the church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.

The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, Rector of Christ church, Salina.

The Rev. John L. Gay, Rector of St. John's Memorial church, Parsons, and St. Peter's, Osage Mission.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox, Missionary at Wakefield.

The Rev. L. L. Holden, Rector of the church of the Ascension, Burlington.

The Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county,

The Rev. Henry H. Loring, Rector of Grace church, Topeka.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity church, Atchison.

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.

The Rev. George Turner, Missionary on Central Branch U. P. R. R.

The Rev. John Woart, Chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Leavenworth.

The Rev. Paul Ziegler, Rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

The Rev. Reese P. Kendall, Deacon and Missionary.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- ALLEN COUNTY—Emmanuel Mission, Humboldt.
 ANDERSON COUNTY—Grace Mission, Garnett.
 ATCHISON COUNTY—Trinity church, Atchison, Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rector; Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
 BOURBON COUNTY—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector.
 BROWN COUNTY—Calvary Mission, Hiawatha, ———, Missionary.
 CHEROKEE COUNTY—Mission at Columbus and Baxter Springs.
 CLOUD COUNTY—Clyde, ———, Missionary; Concordia, ———, Missionary.
 COFFEY COUNTY—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. A. Beatty, Rector.
 CRAWFORD COUNTY—St. John's church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector.
 DAVIS COUNTY—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., Rector.
 DONIPHAN COUNTY—Trinity church, Troy, and mission at Wathe—, ———, Missionary; mission at White Cloud.
 DOUGLAS COUNTY—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. Paul Ziegler, Rector.
 ELLSWORTH COUNTY—Mission of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, ———, Missionary.
 FRANKLIN COUNTY—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, ———, Missionary.
 GREENWOOD COUNTY—Christ church, Eureka, ———, Missionary.
 HOWARD COUNTY—Cedarvale, Rev. H. S. Attwater, Missionary.
 JACKSON COUNTY—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
 JEFFERSON COUNTY—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, ———, Missionary.
 JOHNSON COUNTY—Olathe, ———, Missionary.
 LABETTE COUNTY—Parsons, St. John's Memorial church, Rev. J. ———, L. Gay, Rector.
 LEAVENWORTH COUNTY—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City, Rev. Chas. S. Daniel, Rector; Church of St. John, South Leavenworth, ———, Rector; Fort Leavenworth, Rev. John Woart, Chaplain, U. S. A.; mission, Reno, ———, Missionary.
 LYON COUNTY—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, Rev. A. Beatty, Rector.
 MIAMI COUNTY—St. James' mission, Paola, ———, Missionary.
 MARSHALL COUNTY—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary; mission, Barret's school house, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary; Zion church, Centre township, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary.
 MONTGOMERY COUNTY—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, ———, Rev. L. L. Holden, Missionary; missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Thayer, ———, Missionary.
 NEMAHA COUNTY—Wetmore and Seneca, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
 NEOSHO COUNTY—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, Rev. J. L. Gay, Missionary.
 POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY—St. Luke's mission, Wamego, ———, Missionary.
 RILEY COUNTY—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, ———, Rector; Fort Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, Chaplain, U. S. A.
 SALINE COUNTY—Christ church, Salina, Rev. T. B. Dooley, Rector.
 SEDGWICK COUNTY—St. John's church, Wichita, Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary.
 SHAWNEE COUNTY—Grace church, Topeka, Rev. H. H. Loring, Rector; Emmanuel mission, Monmouth, Rev. C. E. Butler, Missionary.
 WYANDOTTE COUNTY—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, Rev. Thomas Betts, Rector.

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CHAPEL OF S. MARTHA AND S. MARY, }
TOPEKA, KAS., Wednesday, June 7, 1876. }

This being the time and place for holding the Seventeenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop, and a number of the clergy and lay delegates of the parishes, assembled in the Chapel of S. Martha and S. Mary at nine o'clock A. M., for the celebration of divine worship.

Morning prayer was said to the second lesson by the Rev. Chas. Holmes, the Rev. F. O. Osborne read to the Litany, and the Rev. Chas. Daniel concluded the morning prayer. The Bishop read the Ante-Communion Service, assisted by the Revs. L. L. Holden, T. B. Dooley, A. Beatty, and D. W. Cox. The Bishop then delivered his Charge, preaching from 1 Corinthians, 12:4-7: "There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administration, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal." The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Revs. L. L. Holden and T. B. Dooley.

The religious exercises being concluded, the Bishop took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, as required by Canon I, when those present answered to their names.

The parishes were then called in order, and their certificates of lay delegates referred to the following Committee on Qualifications, viz.: The Rev. L. L. Holden, and Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth and Thomas Brook.

The Convention then took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 7, 1876—3 P. M.

The Convention was called to order; the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications reported as follows:

The Committee on Qualifications report that they have examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons reported by him are canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention, in accordance with section 2 of article III of the constitution of this Diocese:

CLERGY.

Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
 Rev. Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Cedarvale, Howard county.
 Rev. John Bakewell, D. D.
 Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R.
 Rev. Thos. Betts, Rector of St. Paul's church, Wyandotte.
 Rev. C. E. Butler, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, and Missionary at Monmouth.
 Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.
 Rev. Chas. S. Daniel, Rector of church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.
 Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, Rector of Christ church, Salina.
 Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Missionary at Wakefield.
 Rev. Levi L. Holden, Missionary at Independence, and parts adjacent.
 Rev. Chas. Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county.
 Rev. Henry H. Loring, Rector of Grace church, Topeka.
 Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity church, Atchison.
 Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Chaplain, U. S. A., Fort Riley.
 Rev. George Turner, Missionary on Central Branch U. P. R. R.
 Rev. John Woart, Chaplain, U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth.
 Rev. Paul Ziegler, Rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.

NOT ENTITLED TO A VOTE.

Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

LAITY.

We also find that the following are entitled to a seat and vote as lay delegates from their respective parishes:

- Trinity Church, Atchison*—A. G. Otis, D. P. Blish, J. H. Stringfellow.
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth—Jas. Parsons, Thos. Brook.
Grace Church, Topeka—J. W. Farnsworth, F. W. Giles, E. P. Kellam.
Trinity Church, Lawrence—F. E. Stimpson, R. W. Burns.
Church of the Epiphany, Independence—G. W. Burchard, E. Hull, Dr. McCulley.
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott—J. A. Clark, T. H. Annable, A. G. Scovill.
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan—A. Todd, Wm. Lee.
Christ Church, Salina—R. T. Watson, C. A. Hiller.
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte—Frederick Speck, Dudley Cornell.
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia—J. J. Buck, E. W. Spencer, E. P. Bancroft.
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth—Otho Williams.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. C. E. Butler was reelected, and appointed the Rev. D. W. Coxe as his assistant.

The Chair then appointed the following standing committees:

On Admission of New Parishes—Revs. W. H. Hickcox, T. B. Dooley and F. O. Osborne, and Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth and R. W. Burns.

On Constitution and Canons—Revs. A. Beatty, H. H. Loring, D. W. Coxe, and Messrs. J. H. Stringfellow and F. W. Giles.

On the State of the Church—Revs. L. L. Holden, Chas. Reynolds, D. D., and Paul Ziegler, and Messrs. F. E. Stimpson and Otho Williams.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. Thomas Betts, and Messrs. Chas. A. Hiller and Jas. Parsons.

On Finance—Rev. Chas. Holmes, and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and D. P. Blish.

The Treasurer then made his report. (See Appendix.)

The Registrar, being called upon, asked for further time to report.

The committee appointed at last Convention to devise means for the increase of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, asked for extension of time.

The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee has held three meetings since the last Diocesan Convention, all of them at Topeka. At the first meeting, October 26, 1875, the Committee was organized by electing the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., President, and Rev. C. E. Butler, Secretary. The Committee also signed at this meeting the testimonials of the Rev. W. E. McLaren, Bishop-elect of Illinois, and of the Rev. Dr. John Henry Hobart Brown, Bishop-elect of Fond du Lac. A bill, amounting to \$200.50, for printing convention journals, was ordered to be paid.

At the second meeting, held December 10th, 1875, Mr. Reese P. Kendall was recommended for admission as candidate for Holy Orders. Also, a bill for \$4.25 (being postage on Convention Journals) was ordered to be paid.

At the third meeting, held January 19, 1876, the Committee, at the request of the Bishop, recommended that the square on which the College of the Sisters of Bethany is situated, "be excepted, and separated from the parochial boundaries of Grace church, Topeka."

The Bishop reported for the Executive Missionary Committee. (See Appendix D.)

The Bishop also made a verbal report on behalf of the Trustees of Diocesan Institutions, to the effect that the College of the Sisters of Bethany is in successful operation, and that the prospects of said institution for the coming year are very encouraging. That the Theological School is organized in possession of its property, and having within its walls two students pursuing their preparation for the sacred ministry.

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan Institutions asked for further time in which to prepare report.

The Parochial reports were then presented to the Bishop. Miscellaneous business being then in order, the special committee to whom was referred the proposed amendment to

Canon II, made the following report, which was in turn referred to Committee on Constitution and Canons:

The Committee, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Canon II of this Diocese, making it obligatory upon parishes to elect their lay delegates from the communicants, would respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of said amendment, for, among others, the following reasons:

1. It has been decided by an overwhelming majority of our Dioceses that it is wrong to allow non-communicants to represent parishes in Convention. Almost every diocese in the United States except our own requires that the delegates should be communicants.

2. It is a principle held as an axiom by every society, that no person is fit, or should be allowed, to represent said society, who is not a member in full standing, and entitled to all the rights and privileges thereof. Therefore, no man is fit, or should be allowed, to represent his parish in Convention who is not a communicant in good standing.

3. Our Blessed Master makes a very pointed distinction between the world and His people—between those who have and those who have not confessed Him before men. Therefore, this Convention has no right to recognize or admit as legislators in the household of faith, of which Christ is the Head, those whom Christ denies before the Father in Heaven.

4. The Canon as it now stands is a dangerous one, because it leaves it in the power of the unbelievers in our parishes (always in the majority) to do what they please with the Diocese, by sending unbelievers as delegates to Convention. The Canon as amended will read as follows:

"It shall be the duty of all Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every Church or congregation in union with the Convention, to send to the same one or more lay delegates (not exceeding three), who shall be communicants of this Church, and shall be chosen by the parish to be represented, or by its vestry; and evidence of the election of lay delegates shall be a certificate signed by the clerk of the parish, or of the vestry, or by the wardens, or by the minister, in substance as follows:

"This is to certify that, at the annual meeting of the parish (or at a meeting of the vestry), of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. B., who is a communicant of this Church, and a member of said parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be holden at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord, _____."

C. E. BUTLER.

CHAS. HOLMES.

J. H. STRINGFELLOW.

Rev. Messrs. Loring and Ziegler then offered separate resolutions, asking the consent of the Convention to the sale by the Bishop of the Episcopal residence in Lawrence.

On motion, these resolutions were referred to a committee of five, consisting of Revs. H. H. Loring and Paul Ziegler, and Messrs. Hiller, Stringfellow and Stimpson.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported that they find, as required to report to this Convention, two committees, one having reference to the increase of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, the other to take action on the proposed amendment to Canon II.

The Rev. Mr. Loring then offered the following:

Resolved, That clergymen of other dioceses and theological students present be invited to seats in this Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Holmes then proposed an amendment to Canon IV, requiring that electors in parishes should be communicants. Referred to Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Convention then took a recess of fifteen minutes.

Convention reassembled at 5 P. M.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported that it is inexpedient to adopt the amendment to Canon II, recommended by the special committee, and proposed that the word *communicant* in said report be changed to *baptized member*. After some discussion it was moved that the expression, *baptized member* of this Church, in the report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, be changed to *baptized persons*, which substitute was, on motion, adopted.

Convention adjourned until 8 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 7, 1876 — 8 P. M.

The Rev. C. S. Martindale, Agent of the American Bible Society, made some statements before the Convention on behalf of the Bible Society.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

The Rev. Mr. Coxe moved that a committee be appointed

to take into consideration that portion of the Bishop's Address, having reference to Diocesan Missions and the revival of Convocations.

The chair appointed on said committee Rev. Messrs. Coxe, Beatty, Ziegler, and Mr. Ambrose Todd.

The Rev. Mr. Beatty moved that a committee be appointed to consider that portion of the Bishop's Address, bearing on the support of the Episcopate.

The motion carried, and the committee appointed at last Convention was reappointed.

An informal discussion of the Convocation system was then held.

The Convention adjourned until 8:45 A. M., Thursday.

THURSDAY, June 8th, 1876—8:45 A. M.

The Convention reassembled.

Morning prayer was said by the Revs. T. B. Dooley and Paul Ziegler.

The chair called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The roll was then called.

The Registrar then read the following report:

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports that during the past year a larger number than usual of journals of Conventions of other dioceses have been received, a list of which is here appended: Minnesota, California, Louisiana, Kentucky, Maine, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Central New York, Easton, New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Wisconsin, Tennessee, Mississippi, Delaware, Kansas, Missouri, Vermont, Massachusetts, Albany, Georgia, Connecticut, Long Island, Michigan, Western New York, Maryland, Fond du Lac, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Northern California, Miss. Jur. Alabama, Virginia, Iowa, Oregon and Washington, Miss. Jur. Indiana. He has also received the Pastoral Letter of the Rev. Paul Ziegler, which is on file.

These journals are evidently sent in the expectation that the favor thus conferred shall be reciprocated. In several cases he has been requested to

exchange journals by Registrars of other dioceses. That he may be enabled to do so, he would respectfully ask that the Secretary of this Convention be directed to reserve every year a few copies of the journal for this purpose. Many of the other dioceses do not have complete sets of our journals, and in the published reports of their Registrars, they ask for the missing numbers. That these may be supplied as far as possible, the Registrar asks from the clergy and laity, all the old journals of this Diocese which they can spare. These old journals are every year becoming more scarce and valuable, and ought not to be lost or destroyed. The great importance of having a full record of our proceedings, for those who come after us, is becoming more apparent every year. The Registrar is unable to furnish these in the present condition of our archives, as the journals and pamphlets thus far preserved have not come into his possession. He has made arrangements, however, to have these, and the new additions to our archives, deposited at the office of the Secretary of the Diocese.

That our records may be kept in a convenient and safe place, the Registrar suggests that the Assistant Secretary of the Convention be annually elected Registrar of the Diocese, with instructions to deposit all new journals and pamphlets at the office of the Secretary of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

D. W. COXE, *Registrar*.

On motion, the suggestions contained in the foregoing report were adopted.

The Committee appointed to take action on the increase of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, made the following report, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons:

The Committee, to which was referred the question of endeavoring to increase the endowment fund, in order to provide a more ample support for the Diocesan, but if this plan was not feasible, to mature some plan which would be efficient, report as follows:

That the endowment already amounts to \$18,000 (eighteen thousand dollars), yielding an annual income of \$1,800 (eighteen hundred dollars); and that at the present time, in the opinion of the Committee, it would be an exceedingly difficult task to increase it, and therefore no special effort in that direction are recommended.

That in the opinion of the Committee, the failure of the parishes to pay the annual assessments for the support of the Episcopate, is mainly due to the lack of some definite and uniform plan for the raising of the assessments.

The Committee therefore respectfully recommend, that a committee of three be elected by the Convention, with power to sit during the recess of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to prepare, during or before the ses-

son of Lent in each year, a printed circular, addressed to the communicants of the Church in this Diocese, to be sent by the rector or minister in charge, or by the lay-reader, or by the wardens if no rector, of each parish or station, to every communicant or family of communicants, which can thus be reached in the Diocese; also, the committee is to send to every rector, minister, lay-reader or warden, competent to oversee the matter, a sufficient number of the above-mentioned circular, with any written instructions as to the use of them which the Committee may deem necessary; also, to take any other steps looking to the full collection of the annual assessments upon the communicants of any parish or station. The circular above mentioned to contain full information as to the condition of the endowment fund, the withdrawal of missionary aid, the necessity of providing a larger support for our Diocesan, and the importance of action by the Diocese through its individual communicants.

The report was adopted, and the chair appointed as the committee therein suggested the Revs. Messrs. Ziegler and Coxe, and Mr. F. E. Stimpson.

The hour for the order of the day prescribed by the Rules of Order having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of officers.

Mr. J. W. Farnsworth was reelected Treasurer.

The Rev. D. W. Coxe was reelected Registrar.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders for members of the Standing Committee, the clergy and the laity dividing into separate houses.

The clergy chose, and the laity approved, the following clerical members:

Revs. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., A. Beatty, H. H. Loring, and C. E. Butler.

The laity in like manner chose, and the clergy approved, the following lay members:

Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth, George Geiger, F. W. Giles, and L. G. Hopkins.

The Convention being reassembled, these elections were ratified by the Convention.

On motion, the chair appointed the Rev. A. Beatty and Dr. Stringfellow a committee to make nominations for Executive Missionary Committee.

The committee reported the following, who were elected:

Clerical—Revs. F. O. Osborne, Paul Ziegler, W. H. Hickcox, and Chas. Holmes.

Lay—Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, D. P. Blish, J. W. Farnsworth and C. C. Kellam.

The chair then appointed the Rev. H. H. Loring and Mr. F. E. Stimpson to nominate Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan institutions.

The committee reported the following, who were elected:

Revs. A. Beatty, D. W. Coxe, Paul Ziegler, Chas. Holmes, John Woart, F. O. Osborne, C. S. Daniel, and Messrs. W. C. Ransom, J. H. Stringfellow, L. J. Halderman, B. L. Kingsbury, and G. W. Smith.

The committee appointed to consider the resolutions with reference to the sale of the Episcopal residence in Lawrence, made the following report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, did, in September, 1867, purchase in the city of Lawrence, in this State, a dwelling house, and lots numbered (17) seventeen, (19) nineteen, and (21) twenty-one, on Ohio street, and lots numbered (52) fifty-two, (54) fifty-four, and (56) fifty-six, on Louisiana street, therewith connected, for an Episcopal residence, and did present the same to this Diocese; and

Whereas, The deed of said property is to "the Right Reverend Thomas H. Vail, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, and his successors in office, in trust for the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Kansas, of the second part;" and

Whereas, In the change of time and circumstances, it is deemed advisable to sell said house and lots, and to add the proceeds of such sale to the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese; and

Whereas, The consent and authorization of the Diocese of Kansas, as a party interested, is deemed important, to enable the Trustees to make such a disposition of the property: therefore,

Resolved, That this Convention approve of and hereby ratify a sale and conveyance of lots (17) seventeen, (19) nineteen, and (21) twenty-one, on Ohio street, Lawrence, Kansas, known as the Episcopal residence, by the Right Reverend Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., and his successors in office, to Jennie Frank, as per warranty deed dated May 22d, 1876.

The Convention adjourned until 3 P. M.

THURSDAY, June 8, 1876—3 P. M.

The Committee on the State of the Church presented the following:

The Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report that it is unable at this Convention to present such a statement of the condition of the Church in this Diocese, as would be worthy of entry upon the minutes; and would therefore request to be continued after adjournment, and be authorized to prepare a full and concise report, which would give a correct view of affairs in this Diocese, and an estimate of the various causes which have hindered church growth in past years, the difficulties which meet the clergy now, the prospects for the future, and an appeal for aid from members of our strong sister dioceses of the East—this report to be subject to revision by the Bishop, and if approved by him, to be printed in the Convention journal, or separately, for the purpose of aiding clergymen of this Diocese in the work of soliciting among their friends in the East.

On motion, this report was adopted, and permission given to print further report of the Committee in the journal.

Mr. Williams, of Leavenworth, offered the following:

Be it resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Church take into consideration this question: What inducement can be offered that would enable the colored people of our Diocese to become interested in our church services?

Referred to Committee on State of the Church.

The Rev. Mr. Loring offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as appertains to the Kansas Theological School be referred to a committee.

The resolution was adopted, and the following were appointed on said committee: Rev. Messrs. Loring, Coxe and Ziegler, and Messrs. Farnsworth and Blish.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to notify members of committees who are absent from Convention, as well as those who are present, of the committees on which they are placed, and of the times at which they are required to act.

The Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address having reference to Diocesan Missions and revival of convocations, made a report, which was amended and adopted, as follows :

The Committee respectfully report that they have given due consideration to the subjects, and present the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the attention of the clergy of this diocese is hereby called to the duty and importance of making the four collections for Diocesan Missions, provided for in Canon VIII, and that earnest efforts should be made to create an interest in Diocesan Missions among the laity of our various parishes, always teaching them that "our prayers and our alms" should "come up for a memorial before God."

Resolved, That we regard Convocations, judiciously conducted, as auxiliaries to more efficient missionary work in this diocese, and we recommend that the subject of Diocesan Missions be made a prominent topic of discussion at the various meetings of Convocation.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Convention that one or more Convocations should be organized in this diocese.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Committee. D. W. COXE.

An amendment to the standing resolution under Canon XIII, requiring that parishes should be assessed according to the number of their communicants, and not according to their ability, was then offered, and referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Finance Committee then presented the following:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the report of the Treasurer, and find it correct in every particular. They recommend, in order to systematize the business of the Convention, that the following resolution be adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer collect the various sums due from the parishes at least one month prior to the meeting of the Convention, and that the clergy are earnestly requested to aid in securing a prompt collection by that time.

They also recommend the following for adoption:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay over to the Bishop all moneys of the Convention fund over and above \$250, on account of his salary. We recommend the following amounts be assessed on the parishes for Convention fund and the support of the Episcopate:

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ASSESSMENTS RECOMMENDED.

<i>Parishes.</i>	<i>Convention fund.</i>	<i>Bishop's salary.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Atchison, Trinity Church.....	\$45 00	\$37 50	\$82 50
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Burlington, Ascension Church.....	10 00	21 00	31 00
Cedarvale, Mission.....		3 00	3 00
Center Township, Zion Church.....	5 00	9 00	14 00
Chetopa, St. Paul's Church.....		3 00	3 00
Ellsworth, Holy Apostles' Church.....		8 00	8 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's Church.....	5 00	12 00	17 00
Fort Leavenworth, Post Chapel.....	5 00	15 00	20 00
Fort Riley, Post Chapel.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church.....	30 00	32 00	62 00
Girard, St. John's Church.....	5 00	8 00	13 00
Independence, Epiphany Church.....	5 00	16 00	21 00
Junction City, Covenant Church.....	10 00	18 00	28 00
Irving, Mission.....		4 00	4 00
Leavenworth, St. Paul's Church.....	45 00	43 50	88 50
Leavenworth, St. John's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Lawrence, Trinity Church.....	45 00	50 00	95 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's Church.....	20 00	20 00	40 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel Church.....	5 00	14 50	19 50
Netawaka, Christ's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mark's Church.....		3 50	3 50
Parsons, St. John's Church.....	5 00	8 00	13 00
Salina, Christ's Church.....	5 00	12 50	17 50
Topeka, Grace Church.....	45 00	43 00	88 00
Wichita, St. John's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church.....	5 00	8 50	13 50
Wakefield, St. John's Church.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
Total.....	\$325 00	\$427 00	\$752 00

We find a deficit of several parishes, in account with the Convention Fund and support of the Episcopate, as follows:

<i>Parishes.</i>	<i>Convention fund.</i>	<i>Bishop's salary.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's Church.....		\$3 00	\$3 00
Burlington, Ascension Church.....		22 00	22 00
Chetopa, St. Paul's Church.....		3 00	3 00
Clear Fork, Mission Church.....		2 00	2 00
Coffeyville, ————		4 00	4 00
Ellsworth, Holy Apostles' Church.....		8 00	8 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's Church.....	\$20 00	10 00	30 00
Eureka, St. Thomas' Church.....		10 00	10 00
Ft. Leavenworth, Post Chapel.....	3 50		3 50
Ft. Riley, Post Chapel.....	5 00	4 00	9 00
Ft. Scott, St. Andrew's Church.....		13 45	13 45
Junction City, Covenant Church.....		11 00	11 00
Lawrence, Trinity Church.....	45 00	7 40	52 40
Leavenworth, St. Paul's Church.....	55 00	43 50	98 50
Leavenworth, St. John's Church.....	2 79	7 00	9 79
Manhattan, St. Paul's Church.....		3 00	3 00
Netawaka, Christ's Church.....	5 00		5 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mark's Church.....		3 50	3 50
Wakefield, St. John's Church.....	5 00	10 50	15 50
Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church.....		50	50
Parsons, St. John's Church.....	5 00	11 50	16 50
Osage Mission, St. Peter's Church.....	5 00	9 50	14 50
Total.....	\$151 29	\$186 85	\$338 14

Respectfully submitted.

CHAS. HOLMES,
D. P. BLISH,
AMBROSE TODD.

Pending the adoption of the above, it was, on motion, resolved that all amounts due from parishes for Convention assessment prior to the Convention of 1875, be and are hereby remitted.

The Finance Committee report was then adopted.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported as follows :

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, respectfully report, that they having had under consideration the amendment to Canon IV, Sec. 1, paragraph 3, offered by the Revs. Chas. Holmes and F. O. Osborne, altering the canon so that none but communicants shall be electors in a parish, deem it inexpedient to make the change.

They have also considered the proposed amendment to the Standing Resolution of 1868, under Canon XIII, presented by the Committee on the Increase of the Endowment Fund, and recommend for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Standing Resolution of 1868 be amended so as to read as follows :

"Resolved, That at each annual session of the Convention, the Committee on Finance shall assess the parishes for conventional expenses, in proportion to the ability of each, and also for the salary of the Bishop, at the rate of fifty cents for each communicant; and such assessments shall be reported to the Convention, and if approved by the same, shall be published in the appendix of the Journal."

On motion, the report was adopted.

Convention adjourned until 8:15 A. M., Friday.

FRIDAY, June 9, 1876—8:15 A. M.

Morning prayer was read by the Revs. D. W. Coxe, F. O. Osborne, and C. S. Daniel.

The chair then called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The roll-call was dispensed with.

On motion, the Committee of Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan Institutions was permitted to make its report after adjournment of this Convention.

The Bishop then presented the following communication from the House of Deputies of General Convention, which was ordered entered on the journal :

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH.

To the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Kansas:

RIGHT REVEREND SIR: In compliance with the requirements of Section III of Canon I of Title III of the Digest, I would hereby give you "particular notice" of the following proposed changes in the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, recommended by the General Convention of 1874, and to be finally acted upon by the General Convention of 1877, to wit:

I. It was, by concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1874, *Resolved*, That it be recommended and proposed that the following alteration be made in article 5 of the Constitution, to wit: Insert at the end of the article the words:

"The General Convention may, upon the application of the Bishop and Convention of an organized diocese, setting forth that the territory of the diocese is too large for due Episcopal supervision by the Bishop of such diocese, set off a portion of such diocesan territory, which shall thereupon be placed within, or constitute, a Missionary Jurisdiction, as the House of Bishops may determine."

II. It was further

Resolved, That the following be proposed and made known to the several dioceses as an amendment to article 8 of the Constitution, to be added at the end of the article as it now stands, to wit, the words: "*Provided*, That the General Convention may by Canon arrange and set forth a shortened form of morning and evening prayer, to be compiled wholly from the Book of Common Prayer."

III. It was further

Resolved, That the following be proposed as an amendment, by way of addition, to the 8th article of the Constitution, to wit:

"*Provided, however*, That the General Convention shall have power, from time to time to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid, which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies."

Resolved, second, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies cause the foregoing proposed amendment of the Constitution to be made known to the several dioceses, according to the Constitution and Canons of the Church.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name,

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,

Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Prot. Episcopal Church.

GENEVA, N. Y., January 1, 1875.

A new form of Parochial report was proposed, referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, and finally adopted. (See Appendix.)

The delegate from Manhattan then offered an amendment to Article 12, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the Bishop,

the teachers and pupils of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, the Rector and Guild and other members of Grace church, and other citizens of Topeka, for their kind hospitalities during the session.

It was also

Resolved, That the Convention hold its next regular session at Atchison.

On motion, the Bishop and Standing Committee were requested to report to the next Convention what parishes are practically defunct.

On motion, it was also

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be a committee to publish five hundred copies of the journal of this Convention.

The Secretary was also instructed to publish two hundred copies of the new parochial report.

The minutes of this morning were then read and approved, and the business of the Convention being concluded, after devotional exercises conducted by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL, *President*.

C. E. BUTLER, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Episcopal Visitations of the last summer were reported to you, my brethren, when we met together in September last. By the change in our constitution which assembles us this year in June, the report to be now presented will cover only nine months.

On the morning of Friday, September 10th, 1875, immediately upon the adjournment of the Convention, the Rev. Charles Holmes was admitted to the order of Priests. The examining Chaplains in his case were the Rev. John Woart and the Rev. C. E. Butler; and he was presented by the Rev. Mr. Woart, one of the examiners. The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the Rev. Thomas Betts, the Rev. T. B. Dooley, the Rev. L. L. Holden, and the Rev. John Woart, united with me in the imposition of hands.

Through the four following weeks, I remained in Topeka, superintending the annual opening of the College, and the closing up of work on the new buildings, and, on most of the Sundays, officiating in Grace Church, Topeka, in the vacancy of the Rectorship.


On Sunday, September 19th, in Trinity Church, Lawrence, in the morning, I preached and instituted into the Rectorship of that church, the Rev. Paul Ziegler, whose Rectorship began on the first of September. The Holy Communion was administered by the Rector in accordance with the Rubric in the Service. It was the first occasion on which the Institu-

tion Service has ever been used in this Diocese ; and I availed myself of the right given to me by the Rubrics, to fix the usage of this Diocese under my Episcopate, substituting the word "ministerial" for the word "sacerdotal," wherever it occurs in that service. The day was pleasant, the congregation large, and the occasion most interesting. I preached again in the evening. The new Rector has proved himself very acceptable to his people; and we are authorized to believe that a blessing must come upon his earnest and zealous labors for their good. His letter dismissory from Michigan, dated July 19, 1875, was duly accepted on August 4, 1875.

On the 11th of October, I started for the east, where, in the city of New York, I attended a meeting of the House of Bishops, and also the annual meeting of the Board of Missions, and, in Philadelphia, the anniversaries of the Church Missionary Society, of the Evangelical Knowledge Society, and of the Evangelical Educational Society. Some six weeks were spent at the east, in looking after the means for sustaining the material interests of this Diocese, as well as in attendance upon the several meetings referred to. I reached home on Friday, Nov. 26.

Sunday, Nov. 28, was spent in Atchison, in officiating for the parish morning and night, administering the Holy Communion, and conferring with the people on the subject of filling the Rectorship. It gives me pleasure to state that the Rectorship was filled on April 1, by the Rev. Frank Olin Osborne. A wide opening for usefulness in this flourishing field is before the young Rector, which, I cordially believe, he is sincerely anxious to occupy effectively. May God be with him! Mr. Osborne's Letter Dimissory from Illinois was dated May 4, and accepted May 9, 1876.

Through December and January I remained, most of the time, at Topeka, supplying the vacant parish, preaching on Sundays and on Christmas-Eve and Christmas-Day, and administering the Holy Communion at the regular times, being



assisted in many of these Services by the Chaplain of the College, the Rev. C. E. Butler.

On Sunday, Jan. 30, 1876, I officiated in the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, in the morning, reading the service and preaching. From the church proceeding immediately to the Fort, I made an address in the chapel at 1:30 P. M., and administered the Holy Communion, and in the evening at the same place, preached. The Services were read by the Post Chaplain, the Rev. John Woart, whose courtesies on these visits are most hearty. I was indebted to my kind host and hostess, General and Mrs. Pope, for a reception on the next evening, at which I was permitted to meet a number of the honored officers of our army, with other members of their families. My visits at the military posts within the limits of this Diocese, through which so many members of our Church are quartered, are always pleasant.

On the same Sunday, Jan. 30, the Rev. Henry H. Loring officiated for the first time in Grace church, Topeka, as the Rector of that parish, having arrived, in the course of the preceding week, from Pennsylvania. The parish has warmly welcomed him, after the long vacancy in their Rectorship. We expect a great deal from the Divine blessing upon the extensive learning, the ample experience, and the exemplary purposes of the new incumbent. Mr. Loring became canonically connected with this Diocese by Letter Dismissory from Central Pennsylvania, dated January 27, and accepted February 2, 1876.

On Friday, March 3, I started for Parsons, in Labette County, by the way of Emporia, where the night was spent. The Methodist Annual Conference was in session, and arrangements had been made, without my knowledge, for me to take tea at the house of a friend with Bishop Peck, one of their twelve bishops, whose duty it was to preside in the Conference. A meeting was to be held in the evening, on the subject of education, which I attended, at which Bishop

Peck presided and made an able address. I followed him on the same subject so important to the best interests of our young State, embracing the opportunity, through their courtesy, to give some information in regard to our own college for girls, at Topeka.

On Sunday, March 5, I was in Parsons, in Labette county, where, in the morning, I read the Service, and preached, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I baptized three infants, and in the evening, after reading the Service and preaching, met the Vestry. It was expected that the debt of this parish would be entirely liquidated in a few weeks, and the church be ready for consecration at my visitation on the last Sunday in May.

The great drawback in our visitations in this new and far-spreading country is the fatigue and wear of the long journeys. This single trip to Parsons (not for a regular visitation, but for the supply of a single Sunday, and some conference with the people) costs me a journey of about 400 miles, and the loss of three and a half full days, and the waste of two almost sleepless nights.

It is to be added, that on Sunday, the 28th of May, the regular visitation was made, after a second similar journey, and the church was consecrated, by the name of St. John's Memorial Church. It was built in memorial of Mr. Ezra W. Howard, formerly and for many years a valued member of St. John's church, Providence, R. I. The cost of the church has been about \$5,000, of which Mrs. Howard generously contributed \$2,000, in addition to the gift of prayer-books for the congregation, and beautiful service-books and a Bible for the reading-desk and chancel.

On Tuesday, March 21, the third week in Lent, a special visitation was made at Trinity church, Lawrence, where, in the afternoon, I made an address, and confirmed two persons in the chapel.

Returning home I left, on the next noon, for a visitation

in the Southwest, along the line of the A. T. & S. F. R. R., meeting at Emporia the Rev. A. Beatty, who went with me through the visitation, reading the Service, and otherwise assisting at the several points of his missionary labors.

That night, at 4 o'clock, we reached Dodge City, nearly 400 miles southwest from Atchison. It was a continuous storm of rain or snow throughout the trip, which occupied a week. Each day we visited the people at our stopping-places; each evening we had a service, at which Mr. Beatty read and I preached; and every night was broken up by our traveling, which could be done only at night.

On Thursday, March 23d, we visited Fort Dodge, five miles from the city, in an ambulance kindly sent us from the Post. There we visited some of our people, and returned in the afternoon. At night, in the midst of the storm, we held service with a full congregation of men in the school-house at Dodge City. That night, at 1 o'clock, we reached Larned City, where we were hospitably received and entertained by old friends, formerly resident in Topeka.

On Friday, March 24th, we were driven out to Fort Larned, seven miles, where I baptized two (2) children of the commandant of the Post. Returning to Larned City, I baptized five (5) children of two families—of one of these families four (4) little sisters—in the afternoon. In the evening I preached to a full congregation in the large room which is used as both church and school house in the settlement. That night, at 2 o'clock, we reached Great Bend; and Saturday was spent in visiting the people and arranging the services for the next day.

On Sunday, March 26th, we met a large congregation, in the morning, at the court house. In the afternoon I baptized, at the house of one of the people, six (6) infants of four different families. In the evening we held another public service, with preaching, in the same place. We were very cordially received, and there is no doubt, that, if our services


can be sustained, we may eventually have an effective self-sustaining parish in this far-western town. That night, at 2 o'clock, we left for Newton, which we reached at 5 o'clock in the morning.

On Monday came on a terrible storm of wind and rain and snow, so that all the trains were stopped, and traveling was impossible. The service appointed for Monday evening could not be held. However on the next day the storm abated, and notice having been circulated through the town, the service was held on Tuesday evening in the Methodist church, which was kindly offered to us. There is quite an element for our Church in this shire-town of one of the best counties of the State, and in due time a good congregation may be gathered. On Wednesday, March 29, we returned home.

A day or two after my return I was taken sick, and confined to my bed for two or three days. My appointments for the next Sunday and the few days after it were, by the doctor's orders, reluctantly deferred to the first convenient opening a few weeks later.

On the following week the visitations were resumed; and Sunday, April 9th, was spent at Manhattan. In the morning I preached in St. Paul's Church, and confirmed four (4) persons. In the afternoon I baptized two (2) infants and two (2) adults, and in the evening preached, and confirmed five (5) persons. Mr. Todd, the Senior Warden and lay reader, read the Service for me. The congregation is well united. The services, in the vacancy of the Rectorship, are kept up by lay-reading. The Sunday School is sustained with regularity; and before long, I think, the people will be able to call and in large part support a Rector.

On Monday, April 10, I went to Salina, where I officiated in the evening at Christ Church. The court was in session in the next county, and a case which greatly interested the Salina people, and in which many of them were witnesses,



was in progress. The attendance was therefore small at the church, and none were presented for confirmation.

On Good Friday, in the morning, I preached in Grace Church, Topeka.

On the next day I went to Leavenworth, to spend the Easter, and to meet the new Rector of the church of St. Paul—the Rev. Charles Stettler Daniel, whose letter dismissory from Pennsylvania, dated May 19, was duly accepted on the 2d day of June, 1876.

In the morning of Easter Day, April 16th, at the Church of St. Paul, I made an address, confirmed four (4) persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I preached in the same place, and then went to the Fort, where, at the Chapel, I preached in the evening. The new Rector at Leavenworth is giving much satisfaction; the congregation is evidently rallying, with commendable zeal and unity, to sustain him, and the prospects are very favorable. May the Lord give that blessing, without which the efforts of minister and people can avail nothing. I reached home Monday night.

The next Sunday's appointments were met at Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church, 200 miles distant, where in the morning I addressed the Sunday School, preached, and administered the Holy Communion; and in the evening preached, and confirmed six (6) persons. On the next evening, Monday, I met the people, in a social way, at a reception in the house of one of the parishioners. This parish has been quite successfully maintained during the changes and disasters of the past year, and has carried out its resolution, adopted when the business prostration of the country was first realized, to remain a self-supporting parish. Such an example is refreshing in times like the present.

On Tuesday evening, April 25th, at St. John's Church, Girard, Crawford county, Mr. Coxe read the service, and I baptized two (2) infants, preached, and confirmed two (2)

persons. The whole of the following day was consumed in reaching home by a tedious ride of some 200 miles.

The little church at Girard is quite a model in its way. It was a school house, bought cheaply, then modified and improved, and having a chancel added to it, the whole roof being ceiled with pine, and capable of holding one hundred persons, amply sufficient for all the wants of the people for probably several years to come. It has been purchased and put in order by the "faithful few" in Girard with very little help, probably not to exceed \$200, from outside friends; and for years the services have been continued by lay-reading, until within the last two years the Rev. Mr. Coxe, of Fort Scott, has accepted the nominal rectorship, and officiates for them once every fortnight, on Thursday evening.

The visitation at Trinity Church, Atchison, was made on Sunday, April 30th. The parish was vacant. The Rev. Mr. Osborne had supplied them for nearly two months prior to and including Easter. But he was absent, and the parish, having invited him to the rectorship, had not yet received his answer. My duty, therefore, was simply to supply the church for the day, by attending and addressing the Sunday School, and by reading the Service, and preaching in the morning and at night.

On Monday, May 1, I went on to Netawaka, in Jackson county. The storm was very severe, and the mud was deep, and it was thought best to defer the service until the next evening, as this could be done without the loss of any other appointment. The Rev. George Turner, although sick with a severe cold, and leaving several of his family sick, was promptly on hand, as he always has been. The streams were so high that he could not return home. Tuesday was a pleasant day, and on Tuesday and Wednesday we visited the people. On Tuesday evening we held a service in Christ Church, consecrated a year ago. I baptized one (1) infant, brought some ten miles for the purpose, and preached

There were none confirmed—the sad record which I have been obliged to make so often.

On Wednesday afternoon, I went to Blue Rapids, beginning there the visitation of the missions in Marshall county, under the care of the Rev. Charles Holmes. Mr. Holmes met me and accompanied me through the trip. That night a thunder storm, as has been the rule all through the spring, was the prelude to a longer northeasterly rain. But with all the inconveniences of these abundant rains, we ought to thank God for them, since there has not been a drop of moisture too much, for filling the wells and smaller streams, and starting the lower springs, so essential to the comfort of man and beast, and which have been either wholly or partially dried up in the continued drouths of the last three years. God be praised for the change accomplished in this respect!

On Thursday evening, May 4, we held a service at Blue Rapids, in the Presbyterian church, where our fortnightly services have for some time been held. I preached, and confirmed one (1) person. There has been very little growth here for the past three years, chiefly from the lack of immigration and the general discouragements of the times.

On Friday, through the deep mud, we plied our way over to Centre Township for a service in the evening. On our way to Zion Church, a front wheel of our wagon broke down, throwing the horse, and making a serious danger. A few bruises were the only result. One of our party, throwing his weight instantly upon the head of the fallen horse, held down the spirited animal, until all were safely away from the wreck, the wagon removed, and the horse secured. In due time we reached the church, which, notwithstanding the mud, was filled. The storm continued through Saturday, shutting us all in the house.

On Sunday morning, May 9, leaving our wagon to be repaired, we were carried by our kind host in his conveyance to Irving, which we reached in time for our appointments

there. I preached in the morning and in the evening, Mr. Holmes reading the Service. There were none confirmed. There is a little more of promise for the Church in this town than there has been. Two or three new and valuable families have moved in, and the subject of building a small and cheap church is now being considered. I reached home on the Tuesday following.

On Saturday, having cleared my docket of correspondence, I went to Junction City, where, on Sunday, May 14, I preached in the morning and administered the Holy Communion, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds assisting in the services. In the evening I preached in the Chapel at Fort Riley. At these places there were none confirmed.

On the next day, Monday, May 15, we went up the Republican River to Wakefield, in Clay county, where we found church matters in a very encouraging condition. The little church, very admirable in its architectural plans, was so far finished as to allow us to hold services in it. A large congregation from all the adjacent country was gathered together, filling the whole house and surrounding it. As the evening was very warm, the windows were wide open, and people stood at the windows or sat in their wagons on the outside. The interest will be better understood when I add that the church is entirely in the country, three miles from the village, alone on the prairie, and that, just before the service, a thunder storm had passed, and the incessant lightning through the evening was enough to deter the timid and the indifferent. The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, with the faithful missionary, the Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, read the Service, and Mr. Hickcox presented ten (10) candidates for confirmation. For such a blessing on this new undertaking, we have great reason to "thank God and take courage."

On the next day, Tuesday, returning to Junction City, I went on, by the afternoon train, to Victoria, 275 miles west of the Missouri river, arriving there about midnight.

Having on the next morning conferred on the subject of a church to be built near the station for that important neighborhood, I was driven up in the afternoon to Hays City, where I baptized two (2) children, and in the evening read the Service and preached in the school hall. At 3 o'clock in the morning I started for home, which was reached a little after noon on Thursday.

On Saturday I went to Lawrence, where, on Sunday, May 21st, the fifth Sunday after Easter, I officiated in the morning, at Trinity Church, baptizing one (1) infant, making addresses, and confirming fifteen (15) persons. Adding to these two (2) of the same class who were confirmed here in Lent, we have the number of seventeen (17) in this parish added to the list of communicants this spring—a result to gladden the heart of the Rector, and to greatly encourage the people.

In the afternoon we drove over to Ottawa, in Franklin county, a mission which has been taken charge of by the Rev. Mr. Ziegler, and which by extra work he supplies. Here Mr. Z. read the Service, and I preached, and confirmed two (2) persons. I wish it were possible for all our clergy to take charge of some mission work in connection with their parishes, and thus build up a church influence in the localities adjoining our larger towns.

On Monday I went, by the way of Lawrence, from Ottawa to Wyandotte, where in the evening, at St. Paul's Church, I baptized three (3) infants, and one (1) adult, and confirmed six (6) persons. The venerable Rector, the Rev. Thomas Betts, realized in these services the reward of faithful and very patient labor in a field of many discouragements.

On Tuesday evening, at the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, I made addresses, and confirmed three (3) persons, in addition to four (4) others confirmed on Easter Day, making seven (7) in all. The new Rector, the Rev. Charles Stettler Daniel, is proving very acceptable to his people; and a bless-

ing, of which these confirmations are the first fruits, seems to be poured out upon his labors.

On Wednesday I was again in Lawrence, and was permitted to close negotiations, which have been some time in progress, for the sale of the Episcopal residence in that city. The great depreciation in the value of real property in the State and in that city made it a matter of serious doubt to determine just what to do. I finally, as the only Trustee, closed an arrangement for the sale of the property on Ohio street, including the residence, carefully procuring and acting upon the advice of several gentlemen of Lawrence, of large intelligence and experience, both of our own Church and of others, who all concurred in recommending the course adopted. As fast as any moneys are realized from this sale, they will be added to the Kansas Episcopate Fund now in the hands of Trustees.

On the next day, May 25—Ascension Day—going by the way of Topeka, where I spent a few hours, to Emporia, in Lyon county, we held service in the evening, at St. Andrew's church. Here I baptized six (6) infants and one adult, made addresses, and confirmed six (6) persons. After the services I met the Vestry in consultation with regard to ceiling the open roof and finishing the interior of the church. There seems to be a new zeal and interest developed here, from which happy results for the strengthening of the parish may be anticipated.

On the following morning, May 26, the Rev. Mr. Beatty, Rector at Emporia, and Missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R., went with me to Burlington, in Coffey county, where Mr. B. has for some time past spent one Sunday in each month. After visiting some families, we held service that evening in the Church of the Ascension, where I baptized three (3) children of one family, made addresses, and confirmed two (2) persons. The Sunday School in this parish continues to be a most promising feature in its work. The people are united,

and, as times are becoming more hopeful, it is desirable that arrangements be made for more frequent services. On Saturday we went to Parsons.

Our services at Parsons, Labette county, on the Sunday after Ascension, May 28, were very interesting. In the morning the beautiful new church was consecrated, by the name of St. John's Memorial Church, to the worship of Almighty God, and to His glory forever. A large congregation was present. I preached and administered the Holy Communion, with the Rev. Mr. Beatty and the Rev. Mr. Holden (who for some time past has officiated for them on one Sunday in each month). In the evening I again preached, and confirmed two (2) persons. It is hoped that before another month shall have passed away, a Rector will be settled here, who will not only supply what is needed of efficient work at Parsons, but will also appropriate one Sunday in each month to St. Peter's Church, at Osage Mission.*

On Monday we were at Osage Mission, in Neosho county, where we visited several families, and conversed with some who had been considering their duty in reference to confirmation, the personal conscious confession of the Lord Jesus in that apostolic rite. At the service in the evening, after preaching, I confirmed two (2) persons, and made an address.

On the next morning, Tuesday, May 30th, I consecrated St. Peter's Church, in this place. The people have shown a very exemplary zeal in securing and preparing this little church, and in presenting it, free from all pecuniary incumbrances or liabilities, for consecration. They have been a very faithful band, having kept up lay-reading for years, in a hall or school-room, until they were able to occupy their little church. I present my congratulations to all these our brethren and sisters in Christ at Osage Mission, and especially

*I am happy to add, in this note, that on the week following the delivery of this Address, and the rising of the Convention, the Rev. J. L. Gay became the Rector at Parsons, and the minister in charge at Osage Mission.

to the faithful warden and lay-reader, Mr. Samuel Sharp Warner, who for years has been as a pastor to this flock, and to whose patience and fidelity the present success is mainly to be attributed.

In connection with the consecration, I baptized one (1) adult, and confirmed two (2) other persons, and administered the Holy Communion. The people were much encouraged, and the visitation seemed to be accompanied by the Divine blessing.

That afternoon we went northward to the railroad crossing at Chanute, from which point Mr. Beatty returned to his home at Emporia, while I went back southward on the L. L. & G. R. R. to Independence, in Montgomery county.

On the next day, Wednesday, May 31st, I visited some of the people, and received visits from others. In the evening, at the Church of the Epiphany, the Rector, the Rev. L. L. Holden, read the evening prayer, and I preached, and confirmed one (1) person. On Thursday morning, at 6 o'clock, I started for home, which I reached at 9 o'clock that evening.

The services at Grace Church, Topeka, on the morning of Whit-Sunday, June 4th, completed the list of visitations for the conventional year. On that occasion I made an address on the great subject of the day—the grace and love of the Holy Spirit, and His perpetual presence and power in the Church and in the world; and administered the Holy Communion. On account of the comparatively recent entrance of the Rector upon his work, none were presented for confirmation. A class is being gathered, and before long will be presented. One (1) candidate in this parish was confirmed by me on December 12, 1875, and another on March 19, 1876; making two (2) in Grace Church during the conventional year.

The total of confirmations in the Diocese since the last convention is seventy-seven (77.)

You have doubtless noticed, my brethren, as the preceding

details have been read to you, that the number of confirmations is not as large as should properly be expected in a Diocese the size of ours. The statement is to be explained by the fact that several of our large parishes have for a considerable part of the last year been without Rectors, and that our mission work has been exceedingly disorganized by the afflictive providences which have impoverished our State during the last two or three years. To me it is a matter of grateful thanksgiving that so much has been accomplished under so many discouragements.

And yet, as I look over our list of results, during this year and the previous two or three years, I feel that there is a call to some heart-searching among ourselves—some serious and honest questioning whether the clergy have sufficiently worked for results. We are not, as one has very wisely observed, to be always sowing. We must also plan for reaping. Sometimes discouragements withhold us from gathering a *small* harvest, merely because it is small. Sometimes other engagements crowd out our systematic reapings, and our harvest is thus lost. But the reason for our loss is generally in a lack of system, a neglect to make our teaching and efforts during the year bear directly upon the great duty of a personal decision for the service of the Master, and upon the confession of His holy name in baptism and confirmation. Many clergymen wait until they receive the notice fixing the day for the Bishop's visitation, before they bring the matter distinctly to their people; and some even wait until the Bishop actually arrives in the parish, expecting his personal assistance in presenting the subject to some of the candidates. All this is a mistake. The confirmation should be kept before the people constantly; and when one is finished the clergyman should begin to prepare for the next. In this way classes would be better instructed, and more intelligent and more reliable additions would be made to our lists of com-

municants. I invite the careful attention of my brethren of the clergy particularly to this subject.

LETTERS DISMISSORY

Have been given for the Rev. Thomas G. Carver, D. D., dated October 27, 1875, to the Diocese of Massachusetts; for the Rev. B. F. Mower, on January 27, 1876, to the Diocese of Kentucky; for the Rev. James Hervev Lee, on February 22, 1876, and for the Rev. John Newton Lee, on June 6, 1876, to the Diocese of Ohio. These are serious losses to our Diocese. The two last-named brethren have been with us from almost the beginning of my Episcopate; and their removal, owing only to the severe pressure of our hard times, and sadly illustrating the pecuniary trials through which we have been passing, makes a change among us, which can be likened only to the removal of elder brothers from a family which is quite loth to part with them, and which cannot feel that their home is the same without them as it was before. Our prayers and our sympathies go with them to their new allotments of labor in the one great harvest-field.

The additions to our clerical force have been stated in connection with the foregoing reports of the parishes.

DEPOSITIONS.

It was my painful duty, acting under the provisions of Canon 5 of Title II of the Digest, to depose from the ministry of this Church, on the 20th day of April of this year, a brother well known to most of you, and much beloved, the Rev. John K. Dunn. Mr. D., for reasons satisfactory to his own mind, had attached himself to the Communion of the Reformed Episcopal Church, so-called; and in the hope that he might reconsider his decision, I availed myself of the right allowed by the Canon of waiting the time prescribed. I regret to report that I waited in vain.

I have received notice of eight cases of Deposition during the last nine months, as follows:

By Bishop Paddock, of Massachusetts, the Rev. John Robertson, Presbyter.

By Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, the Rev. George A. Reddles, Presbyter.

By Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, the Rev. A. M. Morrison, Presbyter.

By Bishop Talbot, of Indiana, the Rev. John B. Laye, Deacon.

By Bishop Johns, of Virginia, the Rev. Magruder Maury, Presbyter.

By Bishop Bedell, of Ohio, the Rev. Edmund C. Colman, Deacon.

By Bishop Clark, of Rhode Island, the Rev. George A. Coggeshall, Presbyter.

By Bishop Vail, of Kansas, the Rev. John K. Dunn, Presbyter.

It is a source of satisfaction to know that this list is much smaller than in previous years, although it is very sad that even eight men should be lost to our ministry in three-quarters of a year, not by the Providence of death, but by their voluntary withdrawal from its responsibilities and duties, and by the lack of proper efforts on our part to retain the good men among them in our ranks.

I have also received notice from the Bishop of Huron, in the Province of Canada, of "the withdrawal of his license to officiate as a clergyman in the Diocese of Huron," as a sentence of discipline for ecclesiastic offenses, from the Rev. C. J. Green, in Deacons' Orders.

DEATHS.

Within the last few weeks the Church has lost a most beloved and valued Bishop, the Rt. Rev. John Johns, D. D., LL. D., of Virginia, who died on Wednesday, April 5, ult.

Bishop Johns had much of the spirit of the holy Apostle whose name he bore, shedding the influence of his pure character upon all with whom he was associated. In the pulpit and on the platform he had long been one of our most able and eminent speakers. Of ripe learning, of liberal and tolerant views, thoroughly devoted to evangelical truth, firmly attached to his own Communion, and with warm sympathies towards all the sincere followers of Christ, of devoted Christian heart, and a perfect gentleman, he secured the confidence and the admiration of all, and was eminently useful. Especially in the councils of the Church we shall miss his wise conservatism, his tolerance of differences, his zeal for the true and the right, his fairness, his uprightness, and his sweet spirit of love. His example is the rich inheritance of his brethren.

One other death I must allude to — that of a distinguished and noble Presbyter, the Rev. J. Lloyd Breck, D. D., of northern California, and principal of the Girls' School at Benicia. Eminent in his missionary devotion, living always on the frontier, one of the founders of the schools at Nashotah and at Faribault, and last of St. Mary's on the Pacific, his life has been filled with labor, and as a pattern of devotedness has blessed the whole Church. We give Thee hearty thanks, Almighty God, for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, "do now rest from their labors."

ONE NEW BISHOP

Has been added to our Episcopate, by the consecration, on the 15th of December, 1875, of the Rev. J. H. Hobart Brown, S. T. D., as Bishop of the new Diocese of Fond du Lac, in the State of Wisconsin.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

I have several times, within the last few years, brought to your notice the importance of efficient action in devising and

carrying out some definite plan providing for the support of the Episcopate. This may become, none of us know how soon, a very serious question to the Diocese. It is a comforting thought to me, in view of my many deficiencies and shortcomings, that my work among you for the last twelve years has been almost entirely a labor of love, and not a matter of pecuniary consideration. From time to time the Convention has adopted resolutions on this point, some of which have been kept, and some of which have accomplished nothing. The adversities of the last two or three years have so crippled our people, that I have not deemed it best to push the subject, and the matter has been allowed, in a great measure, to rest. For several years, in our earlier history, the subject was not broached. Within the last four years it has been occasionally considered, and as far as our financial circumstances have warranted, has been acted on. The total amount received for the last four years, from all sources and assessments in the Diocese, has been \$818.90, or an average of \$209.22 per annum, quite an assistance towards some traveling expenses, although far below the amount pledged. But I enter no debit against the Diocese. I call the account squared up to this day. Yet, if the Diocese is to have Bishops, there must be provision made for their support. The income of the fund, which, on my own motion and without even a suggestion from the Convention, I collected, and on behalf of the contributors, presented to the Diocese, is not sufficient. It is an important aid, but by itself does not suffice. It must be helped out, as in other Dioceses, by assessments in some way to be apportioned among the parishes, and paid by them for this purpose. These assessments may be laid, at a variable rate upon the communicants personally, according to the amount to be raised from year to year, or they may be, at a fixed rate, upon the basis of the communicants, or of the salary, or of the general comparative ability of the parishes, to be paid by each parish, as other

conventional assessments are. Different methods have been employed by the Dioceses in the long experience of the country, although, I think, the general result has been, whatever the basis, to make the parish responsible as such through the vestries. I make only one inquiry, whether, at least for the present, in this new Diocese, it may not be best to put these assessments in the hands of a special committee, with its own Secretary, and to give this committee power, and to hold it responsible for the faithful carrying out of the wishes of the Convention.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

There is another subject which I wish to urge upon this body and this Diocese—the *more liberal sustaining of our Diocesan Missions*. We cannot expect to be aided by others, unless we can prove to them that we are willing and desirous to aid ourselves. We have a canon which bears upon the subject of collections for matters outside of parochial expenditures. If this canon were properly and conscientiously obeyed, there would be quite a fund secured for our Diocesan Missions. We should also gather in this way some contributions for the missionary societies, upon which we mainly depend for our missionary support, and which may very properly feel hurt at not receiving from us, at least in some regular although small appropriations a deserved acknowledgment of our obligation to them, and some recognition of our interest in the great work of missions. What we especially need is a systematic attention in all our parishes to this duty of charitable and missionary collections, as this is provided for by the canon. I think the clergy have been too timid in carrying out faithfully the provisions of the canon. Because we have much to do for ourselves, is no reason why we should not do something for others. “The liberal soul shall be made fat,” is as true of parishes and of mission stations as it is of persons. Indeed, we have no scriptural right to expect the blessing of God upon ourselves, except under

the broad claims of Christian and self-sacrificing love we try to do something for others, for God has announced the principle which we must accept: "He that watereth shall be watered also himself."

In connection with this subject it may be well worth inquiring, whether we may not very profitably revive our convocational arrangements, and by missions and clerical meetings, with special prayer and preaching, we may not only perfect an agency for the more effectual ingathering of souls into the kingdom of our Lord Christ, but also establish an instrumentality for advancing the pecuniary ability of our missionary organizations. I commend this whole subject to the conscientious thought of my brethren.

OUR DIOCESAN COLLEGE FOR GIRLS.

I am happy to state that we have had much to encourage us in the successful work in the College of the Sisters of Bethany during the past Conventional year. Although from the stress of necessity under which our people have been living, the number of boarders has not been increased, it has yet not been diminished, while the number of day-scholars has been largely augmented. We have an admirable corps of teachers, and the institution has never been able to do more thorough work in all its departments than at present. Additional buildings have been put up and paid for. The institution is out of debt. Its facilities for its work are quite fully arranged, and nothing is wanting but patronage. Let my brethren of the Clergy and Laity attend to this. This institution, as it belongs to the Diocese, should be watched over and appropriated and sustained by all our people as a great good, not only to the Diocese but to the State.

DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

I would also remind you, that we have another Diocesan institution, which has been named the Kansas Theological School. Owning an excellent building, and free from debt,

it gives a good opportunity for raising up a faithful ministry on our own soil—what we so much need. Are there not young men in our parishes, who are ready to take up this cross for Christ, who may be led to consecrate themselves to this heralding of the Gospel of Christ? Let our Clergy give to this question a careful investigation, as it touches their usefulness and the honor of our Master. We now have two students. Why should we not have many more? And I may say to our Laity, as the Apostles did to the laymen of their day: "Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business." Acts, 6 : 3.

On Friday, February 29th, a meeting of the board of trustees of this institution was held at the school building in Topeka, when several vacancies in the board were filled, by the election of Mr. Ambrose Todd, of Manhattan, in the place of the Hon. Wm. H. Canfield, deceased; of the Rev. H. H. Loring, in the place of the Rev. John K. Dunn, removed from the Diocese; and of the Rev. C. E. Butler, in the place of the Rev. Magruder Maury, removed from the Diocese. The Rev. Henry H. Loring was also elected as a professor in the institution.

In the course of the last year, the Rev. Thomas Arthur Taggart, Deacon, a student in the institution, removed to England, for reasons connected with the health of his family. Since his removal the institution, because of the peculiar trials of these hard times, has been without students, until in the early part of March of this year, one of our candidates, Mr. Reese P. Kendall, became a member of the institution, and is pursuing his studies under the care of Professor Loring. Another, Mr. Nicholas William Heath, has, since then, become a member of the school, and will soon be admitted a candidate for orders. Thus our school now numbers two theological students.

I wish to bring this Theological School before the consider-

ation of our Diocese. It is the only such school, in the proper and peculiar sense, in our State. It is a very important agency for the supply of Clergy. My experience, of nearly twelve years in the oversight of this Diocese, goes to satisfy me that, if we are ever to hope for an adequate supply of clergymen, we must raise them up from among our own people, men adapted to the social habits and to the mental and spiritual wants of our frontier population, willing and able to make the sacrifices required of our missionaries, not too rude, not too learned, earnest, sensible, intelligent, self-denying men, specially trained to contend with infidelity and with Romanism, familiar with secular and with ecclesiastical history, good interpreters of the Scriptures, although perhaps not thorough classical scholars, loving their work, and willing to spend and to be spent in it. Let our Clergy and our people bear this institution in mind, and give it a place in their prayers, and, as God shall give them the means, let them endow it for years of usefulness in the future.

APPENDIX B.

Special Report of the Committee on the State of The Church.

Approved by the Bishop, and printed by resolution of the Convention.

The Committee on the State of the Church, in accordance with the instructions of Convention, beg leave to present the following report, embracing, first, a brief mention of certain items of interest, gathered from the parochial reports of the conventional year just closed; second, a condensed statement of the present strength of the Church in this Diocese; third, an estimate of the causes which have hindered the growth of the Church in the past, and of the special difficulties of the field; and fourth, a statement of the needs of the Diocese:

1. The total number of confirmations reported by our Bishop for the period of nine months just closed, is 77. Three of our five self-supporting parishes, namely, Topeka, Atchison, and St. Paul's, Leavenworth, vacant last September; introduced new Rectors to this Convention. Fort Scott has, during the past year, redeemed the promise of self-support made through its Rector at the last Convention. Parsons has paid its debt, and has asked the Bishop to consecrate its beautiful St. John's Memorial Church, which request has been complied with. Lawrence introduces to our notice as part of its parochial work the new colored Sunday School of St. Simon the Cyrenian. The rural parish of Wakefield, Clay county, offers its faithful missionary abundant returns in the form of a large confirmation class, and in the repayment of charitable aid during the locust plague by the completion of a well-built chapel. The College of the Sisters of Bethany has done well for these hard times, and has become substantially self-supporting.

2. The strength of the Church in this Diocese may be briefly represented as follows:

(a.) The College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, a ladies' school of high grade, has, besides the Bishop, who is its resident head, eleven instructors, thirty boarders, and forty day scholars. It has elegant stone buildings, whose cost was about \$85,000, a lot of twenty acres beautifully located and forming a square corresponding to that of the Capitol, a few blocks distant; a good library, the most necessary parts of apparatus, chemical and philosophical, pianos and organs sufficient for the present needs of the institution, and other appointments very nearly complete. This beautiful property is free from debt.

(b.) The Kansas Theological School has the services of the Bishop and of the Rev. H. H. Loring, Rector of Grace Church, as professors; two students, a fine brick building formerly used by Bethany College, and capable of affording accommodations for twelve to fifteen students, and has no debt. By an arrangement made with Washburne College, within easy walking distance, academic studies may be pursued at the latter institution without additional expense to our theological students, and thus the work of the Kansas Theological School may be conducted and extended with unusual economy of time and trouble on the part of the professors, and with excellent advantages to the students. An unoccupied section of the building may readily be converted into a chapel.

(c.) The Diocese has *five* self-supporting parishes, *six* parishes with resident missionaries, but not self-supporting, and eighteen missions, where services are periodically held—some of these missions being organized parishes, heretofore in union with this Convention. Our clergy list contains the names of eighteen clergymen (besides the Bishop), of whom two are not actually resident in the Diocese; two are post chaplains, officiating in the Diocese and assisting in diocesan work, and the rest are all actually engaged as rectors and missionaries. Our Diocese has 1,164 communicants, twenty-two churches and chapels, two parsonages, church property whose total value, not including the property of the College and Theological School, is roughly estimated at \$120,000, and debts on four parishes, amounting to \$13,000 or thereabout. Our Episcopate fund, including the proceeds (not yet realized) of the sale of the Bishop's late residence, amounts to \$23,500, and will yield, with the estimated help afforded by the parishes, an income sufficient for the needs of our self-denying Bishop,

who receives nothing from the missionary societies. The highest salary paid by a self-supporting parish is, without a rectory, \$1,200, or with a rectory, \$1,000; the lowest is \$1,000. One missionary rector receives \$900, of which amount \$500 is expected from two home parishes. Of the other missionaries not one receives more than \$600 from all sources, seven receive \$600 or under, and out of this scanty pittance are obliged to pay house-rent. Of these seven we might mention two of such well-known ability and prominence in the Church, as to be able at any time to command in the East a salary of \$1,500 to \$1,800. One venerable clergyman, able to devote his time but partially to church work, receives but \$200, and looks for additional support to his children. Small salaries are in some cases eked out by gifts, and in all cases by the small cost of living in Kansas, which is one-fifth or one-fourth lower than in corresponding places in more Eastern States. And the financial troubles of most of our missionaries are aggravated by the costs of travel, which exceed by fifty to one hundred per cent. the expenses of travel in the older States, where, moreover, the distances traversed by the missionary are comparatively so much smaller. In all the cases above mentioned the ministry of Christ is the exclusive vocation of these men of Christian poverty; in all cases but that of one, who is professor as well as missionary, all the clergyman's time is devoted to his ministerial work; and in no cases are there additional sources of income not counted. All but one of our clergy have families to support, and our one unmarried clergyman receives the largest cash salary paid. The missionary societies allow Kansas about \$4,000, and the population of the State is 650,000 souls, distributed in an area of 78,418 square miles.

Your Committee believe that the above facts will present their own arguments, and before proceeding to the consideration of causes for the Church's weakness, beg leave to present a few facts by way of comparison. The missionary jurisdiction of Colorado and Wyoming receives for missionary purposes at least \$5,000 to \$6,000; which amount is expended in a jurisdiction with about one-fifth the population of Kansas, and with relatively more pecuniary resources of its own. The same statement is substantially true as to other missionary jurisdictions. The Congregational Missionary Society, *in addition to rich contributions* to the Church Building Fund for Kansas, expends in this State annually \$31,000 for strictly missionary purposes; and the Presbyterian Missionary Society nearly as much, though neither considers it has done too much

for the work of propagating its own peculiar form of Christianity. The operations of the Methodist denomination in Kansas have been simply enormous. The efforts of the Baptists have not been proportionally as effective as the others named. But those of the Roman Catholics make our church work in Kansas seem but child's play in comparison. The missionary favors of the Church have been dispensed with very little attention to the *claims of population*, and we repeat, Kansas has 650,000 souls, and the church people of Kansas are poor; while poverty does not prevent them from doing, *per capita*, as much for the support of church services as the same number of communicants taken at random from almost any of our eastern parishes, barring only those of extraordinary wealth. A simple computation would prove this fact to be literally true and moderately stated. It is therefore unreasonable to ask these few Kansas communicants, in addition to their heavy parochial burdens, to evangelize these 650,000 souls.

3. And now, inquiring very briefly into the causes of the Church's weakness in this Diocese, we may state that the small progress of the last few years is naturally attributable to—

(1.) The financial depression of our country, so severely felt in this State, where so much was undertaken and carried on with borrowed capital, now unhappily withdrawn, and which depression affected church families, drove many away to other States, and starved out a number of our clergy.

(2.) The terrible and still-remaining effects of the late peculiar plagues of Kansas, drouth and the locusts, destroying almost the entire agricultural products for two years.

These causes have impoverished our people, have kept many away from church because they had no clothing they deemed suitable, and some from a mistaken sense of delicacy which forbade them to attend services they could do nothing to support. In one year, Trinity, Lawrence, our oldest and strongest parish, reported a decrease of communicants from 141 to 100, the city having lost nearly a third of its inhabitants in that year; and St. John's, Leavenworth, in one year lost nearly half its communicants, the remainder, greatly crippled in resources, receiving a shock from which this once-promising parish has not yet recovered.

We may add also the following general causes, whose operation was not confined to the three years last past:

(3.) The exceedingly small representation of the Church in the immigration by which this historic State was first set-

tled. Congregational societies in New England put their representatives early upon the ground; Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Roman Catholics, came to Kansas in large numbers. The Church began her work in a comparatively feeble way, has always been comparatively feebly supported, and could not make great headway against such odds. And when Church people came to the little towns and villages of Kansas, they seldom found a church established or a missionary located, and had to seek religious instruction where it was to be obtained. In very many such towns, we could point out families who would naturally have come to the Church for instruction, and with cheerful aid, but are now lost to us because they could get what they sought only from Christians of another name.

A word must be inserted here as to the faithful missionaries who first gave themselves to the work in the *times of the Territory*. No more faithful laborers could anywhere be found. Nearly every new town then started was visited by them; and much of the fruit now realized comes from the germs planted by their laborious fidelity. But the adoption of the State constitution and the war which almost immediately followed, produced a sad change, scattering many of the laborers, changing or reducing the population; so that, at the election of our present Diocesan, the missionary work in the State required to be begun again, excepting at a few of the larger towns, where Church life still remained as a basis for future efforts.

(4.) And without reference to religious preferences, a large class of people who came into Kansas, earlier and later, were, like many in other new States, roving, reckless, penniless and irreligious; and of the more intelligent immigrants, very many came as adventurers, without any purpose but self-advancement. All Christian work was difficult in this heterogeneous mass, homogeneous only in the endeavor to promote their worldly interests, and ready at any moment to sell out everything and move elsewhere. This roving, speculative character of our population has been a sore trial to our weak missions and to our Bishop.

(5.) Kansas is peopled mainly by an agricultural community, and the large population is scattered in innumerable villages and small towns, or over the broad prairie. Our Church has not yet learned to deal well with this class. She is nowhere in America strong in the rural districts. Our five largest towns in Kansas vary from 5,000 to 18,000, and all have self-supporting parishes. The other, innumerable

small settlements, are dispersed over an immense region, making it exceedingly difficult to group together three or four of these mission stations to form one strong charge under a missionary. The Rev. Mr. Beatty, of Emporia, has a parish nearly two hundred and fifty miles in length. The coming multitudes are now making the population more dense, and our Church has better opportunities than heretofore. But what can she do with so few laborers? And is the Church at large willing to yield the day to other religious bodies and to the world? These country people know nothing about the Church, and in large districts many of them as little about Christ; and how shall they hear without a preacher?

(6.) We now beg leave to state the needs of the Diocese, as determined by careful inquiry, and on consultation with our Bishop:

(a.) Bethany needs ten day scholarships, and ten boarding scholarships, for the daughters of our clergy, and other cases commending themselves to the judgment of the Bishop. It is enough if Bethany be self-supporting, without exercising charity from the College purse, and there are as yet no endowed scholarships. Bethany needs also a small lending library of text-books for the use of needy students, and additions to its insufficient set of chemical and philosophical fixtures.

(b.) The Kansas Theological School needs one endowed professorship, in order that at least one competent man may devote his whole time and attention to the development of this germ, so fraught with promise for these 650,000 souls. The Bishop would gladly correspond with young men desiring a course of theological study, and will do what he can to furnish the indigent with necessary aid.

(c.) The Diocese needs at once —

(1.) Twelve to fifteen competent missionaries, distributed as follows:

Denver & St. Jo. R. R.: At Wathena, Troy, Hiawatha, Seneca and Marysville; all shire-towns of well-populated counties, in the northern part of the State. Population, each, 1,000 to 2,500. Length of line, 100 miles. At least one missionary.

Kansas Pacific Railway: At Wamego, Abilene, Solomon City, Brookville, Ellsworth, Russell, Victoria, Hays City. Population, 600 to 2,000. 200 miles. Two missionaries.

A. T. & S. F. R. R.: At Wichita, Newton, Hutchinson, Peace, Great Bend, Larned, Dodge City, Kinsley. Population, 600 to 2,000. 200 miles. Two missionaries.

Mo. R. Ft. S. & Gulf R. R.: At Rosedale, Olathe, Spring Hill, Paola, Osawatomie, La Cygne, Pleasanton, and Osage. Population, 600 to 3,000. 60 miles. One or two missionaries.

Same road: At Girard, Columbus, Cherokee and Baxter Springs. Population, 600 to 3,000. 60 miles. One missionary.

L. L. & G. R. R.: At Baldwin City, Ottawa, Garnett, Humboldt, Chanute and Coffeyville. Population, 800 to 3,000. Two missionaries.

M. K. & T. R. R.: At Chetopa, Oswego, Leroy, Americus and Council Grove. Population, 600 to 2,000. 150 miles. Two missionaries.

In the Republican valley: At Clay Centre, Clyde, Washington and Lake Sibley. 100 miles without railroads. One missionary.

In the Solomon valley: At Beloit, Osborne City, etc.; 100 miles. One missionary. These two valleys, in Northwestern Kansas, are quickly settling with a thrifty population, and ought to be occupied by the Church.

Several important shire-towns in Montgomery, Cowley and other southern counties below the railroads offer inviting opportunities.

The Bishop has, in his missionary trips and visitations, personally examined all of these points, except those in the upper part of the Solomon valley; several of them he has visited frequently, and he considers all of them favorable fields for missionary effort.

(2.) Support for the above missionaries. In many cases the Bishop can guarantee that the people ministered unto will pay half the salary of the minister as soon as they obtain regular services; and the new immigration is coming into Kansas so rapidly, that we may reasonably look for a condition of self-support in most places very soon. The Bishop can show most promising openings to competent men, and would gladly correspond with those contemplating large contributions with reference to special plans for the conduct and support of a new mission. In some parts associate missions would be best.

(3.) Four teams for missionaries already at work, and more for the new missionaries. A span of good horses or ponies, harnesses, and a suitable conveyance, can be purchased in Kansas for \$200 to \$250. Our country roads are made for spans, not for single horses. The four teams mentioned would enable the four recipients of the gift to begin mission work at two or three new places at once. They are too poor to buy the teams, but the expense of maintaining them in Kansas would not amount to more than twenty dollars a year. Gifts of hay and oats or corn would be received, and in each case the missionary would groom his own horses. But livery charges are very heavy, and no man can trust to borrowing horses with any frequency or regularity in a community of hard-working farmers.

(4.) Eight carefully-selected Sunday School libraries, including text-books. Old books will do, but they ought to be *good to read*. Also, church papers in almost any number, sent regularly by subscription or otherwise to our missionaries, who would circulate them among our ill-instructed people, who cannot now be expected to subscribe themselves.

Sunday School papers are wanted for our Sunday scholars. Four cabinet organs, old or new; fifty or sixty Hymnals with music, for our choirs and Sunday schools; well-selected parish libraries, baptismal fonts, communion services, church bells, and other miscellaneous gifts. Our people are too poor to buy these, and need them much more than they are needed in the East.

(5.) Eight or ten new churches and chapels, the erection of which without debt our Bishop will guarantee, as memorials or otherwise, on the payment of \$500. In most cases our missionaries *must* have houses for our own mode of worship. In a new and growing village it is almost impossible to obtain a suitable hall, even at a high rent. And our missionaries ought not to be obliged to accept as courtesies from other Christian orders the use of buildings which ought to be provided by ourselves. Besides, our Church service requires special architectural adaptations. Good lots can always be procured as a donation by a judicious and energetic "master-builder."

(6.) Seven parsonages for our feeble parishes and mission centers at Emporia, Independence, Parsons, Manhattan, Wakefield, Salina, and Marshall county. At all these places our poor clergymen have to pay rent. Parsonages may be erected on ground donated for the purpose by a payment of \$500 in each case; and the people cannot build without help.

(7.) A monthly Church paper for Diocesan and parochial purposes, adapted to the wants of our ill-instructed laity, who are not interested in a clergyman's paper, but ought to have some means besides the pulpit for learning somewhat about the Church's ways, history, present growth and development, prospects and needs for the future. We understand that a project is already under discussion for the supply of this need.

We have only to add that from present indications Kansas seems destined to become very speedily one of the most populous States in the Union. The late troubles have apparently come to an end. Last year's crop was enormous. Everything promises finely for the present year. Many families are returning to this beautiful and fascinating State, while thousands of new immigrants are falling under the power of her magic spell. Old settlers have learnt lessons of industry, economy and steadfastness from the late visitations, while, instead of the roving, reckless, and speculative character of earlier years, our population is aiming at a more solid

character and a more substantial growth; and the Church may turn her gaze upon the Diocese of Kansas with the most lively hopes.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

L. L. HOLDEN,
PAUL ZIEGLER,
FRED. E. STIMPSON,
OTHO WILLIAMS,

Committee on the State of the Church.

Approved: THOMAS H. VAIL, *Bishop of Kansas.*

APPENDIX C.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Atchison, Rev. FRANK O. OSBORNE, Rector.

Families, 70; individuals (not included in families), 40.

Baptisms: Infants, 6.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Present number, 65.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, 15; scholars, 115; total, 130.

The meagerness of the above report is accounted for by the fact that the parish has been without a Rector during the greater portion of the last conventional year.

The undersigned has recently taken charge, since which time the interest in church matters has steadily revived. I am happy to say the parish is entirely free from debt, and is capable of being developed to a degree of success, spiritually and financially, far in excess of what is indicated by the above report.

FRANK O. OSBORNE.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott; Rev. D. W. COXE, Rector.

Families, 43; individuals (not included in families), 17.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 6. Burials, 9.

Communicants: Last reported, 58; added, 10; died or removed, 8; present number, 60.

Sunday School: Teachers, 16; scholars, 140; total, 156.

Communion alms.....	\$39 30
Contributions — Objects within the parish :	
Improving church tower and vestibule, done by ladies.....	\$205 00
Paid on note, by Ladies' Society.....	213 00
For Sunday School.....	58 00
For insurance on church.....	15 00
For Christmas decorations.....	17 29
For improvement of parsonage and sundries.....	89 76
For the poor.....	8 25
	<hr/> \$606 30
Objects without the parish :	
Convention assessment.....	\$30 00
Assessment for Bishop.....	15 50
American Bible Society.....	2 50
Diocesan missions.....	15 85
Education of ministers.....	11 00
Miscellaneous.....	10 00
	<hr/> \$84 85
Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$730 45

In addition to the above, the roof of the church edifice has been newly shingled, at an expense of \$223.60. This amount of money will soon be due; but, as the Ladies Sewing Society (to which the prosperity of this parish is so largely indebted) has assumed this obligation, its speedy payment is fully guaranteed. From this it may be truthfully inferred, that the ladies, as usual, are still indefatigable in their parish work, and are deserving of the highest commendation.

On account of removals and the "hard times," it has been more difficult than usual for this parish to pay its necessary expenses.

Regular week-day services have been held at Girard on the second and fourth Thursday evening of each month. The report from this parish will be found in another place.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield; Rev. WM. H. HICKCOX, Rector.

Families, 26; individuals (not included in families), 10.

Baptisms: Infants, 6.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 29; added, 12; present number, 41.

Communion alms..... \$17 ⁸⁵

Contributions: Objects within the parish, (not including salary or current expenses)..... 10 ⁶⁸

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$28 ⁵³

DAVIS COUNTY.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City; Rev. CHAS. REYNOLDS, D. D., Rector.

Families, 17.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; infants, 6.

Communicants: Last reported, 22; added, 7; removed, 2; present number, 27.

Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2.

During the past year I have, in addition to my regular duties as Post Chaplain at Fort Riley, held divine service nearly every Sunday in Junction City, and have held occasional services in the adjacent school houses of the county; but I have nothing favorable to report.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence; Rev. PAUL ZIEGLER, Rector.

Families, 80; individuals, 11.
 Baptisms: Infants and children, 10.
 Confirmed, 17. Marriages, 7. Burials, 5.
 Communicants: Last report, 100; added, 41; died, 1; removed, 10;
 present number, 130.
 Sunday School: Teachers and officers, 13; scholars, 103; total, 116.
 Sunday School of St. Simon the Cyrenian: Teachers, 4; scholars, 47;
 total, 51.

Communion alms.....		\$92 22
Contributions — Objects within the parish:		
On church debt.....	\$300 00	
Interest.....	802 55	
Gifts to members of the choir.....	80 00	
Furnishing rectory.....	117 15	
Gifts to the Rector.....	52 80	
Repairs and improvements.....	31 45	
Old building accounts paid.....	301 01	
By the Sunday School for its own expenses.....	37 00	
Miscellaneous	57 00	
		\$1,778 96
Objects without the parish:		
Convention assessment.....	45 00	
Bishop's salary.....	42 60	
Diocesan Missions.....	12 20	
Diocesan Missions by Sunday School.....	17 33	
Foreign Missions by Sunday School.....	6 70	
Indian Missions.....	8 15	
		\$131 98

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$2,003 16

The efficiency of our Ladies' Society is indicated by the fact that it reports as the earnings of the year closing May 1, the sum of \$791.40. The Sunday School of St. Simon the Cyrenian is but a few months old, but gives good promise of successful work among the colored people of Lawrence.

I am happy to state that the sum of \$1,222 has been pledged towards a payment of \$3,000 on the heavy debt of this parish, all payments being made conditional on the raising of the entire amount within the year 1876. Our thanks are due to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, for aid of both word and deed, in this effort to relieve ourselves of the load that weighs upon us so heavily. Two hundred dollars of the amount pledged is reported above as paid.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa; Rev. PAUL ZIEGLER, Minister in charge.

Families, 6.

Baptisms: adult, 1.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1.

Communicants: Present number, 14.

Contributions: For expenses of the minister in charge, \$20; other objects, \$7; total, \$27.

Services have been held on Wednesday evenings, fortnightly, since February 16, in the Congregational Church, which the courtesy of the trustees placed at our disposal for this purpose. Much encouragement has been given to the minister in charge in this modest effort to revive a once promising work.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth; Rev. C. S. DANIEL, Rector.

Families, 80.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 3; total, 10.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.

Communicants: Present number, 81.

Sunday School: Teachers, 12; scholars, 80; total, 92.

Communion alms..... \$42 10

Contributions:

Objects within the parish..... \$586 28

Objects without the parish..... 102 00

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$730 38

The Rev. John Woart, Post Chaplain of Fort Leavenworth, has officiated at a morning service, and rendered the parish other important services, from the last convention to the fifth Sunday in Lent, when the present minister assumed the charge.

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia; Rev. A. BEATTY, Rector.

Families, 12.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 0. Burials, 0.

Communicants: Last reported, 20; added, 13; died or removed, 9; present number, 24.

Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 37; total, 42.

Communion alms..... \$10 00

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Towards completing the church building..... \$52 55

Improvement of chancel..... 25 00

For Sunday School..... 10 00

\$87

cts without the parish :

For diocesan missions.....	\$3 50	
		<u>\$3 50</u>

Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$101 05
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The present Rector took charge of this parish on the first Sunday of September, 1875. He has since officiated in it on the first and third Sunday of every month. The church building is still unfinished, and great inconvenience is experienced by the congregation from exposure to damp and cold. The parish has been much depressed for the past three years, in consequence of removals and pecuniary embarrassment. The few who remain are still hopeful, and cheerfully contribute and work for the building-up of the parish.

I have officiated once a month, since last August, at Great Bend, and in March of the present year I have held a monthly service in the Church of the Ascension, Burlington. I have held two weekly services in Newton, Clay county, and on the 28th of April, 1876, a parish was organized by the name and title of St. Matthew's Church. The people are desirous of having regular services, and the prospects of the church are encouraging.

Respectfully submitted.

A. BEATTY.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Parish, Blue Rapids; Rev. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 7; individuals (not included in families), 2.

Communicants: Infants, 1.

Baptisms, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 10; present number, 10; total, 10.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

On team for Missionary.....	\$3 00	
		<u>\$3 00</u>

without the parish;

Episcopal assessment.....	\$2 00
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Domestic missions.....	1 18
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Foreign missions.....	3 25
	<u>\$6 43</u>

Total contributions.....	<u>\$9 43</u>
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Trinity Church, Irving; Rev. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 9; individuals, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 4; added, 5; dropped, 1; present number, 8.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

Team for Missionary.....	\$3 50	
		<u>\$3 50</u>

without the parish:

Episcopal assessment.....	\$1 50
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Domestic missions.....	60
	<u>\$2 10</u>

Total of communion alms and contributions.....	<u>\$5 60</u>
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Zion Church, Centre Township; Rev. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 1; total, 12.

Communicants: Last reported, 17; added, 1; present number, 18.

Sunday School: Teachers, 2; scholars, 20; total, 22.

Contributions—Objects within the parish:

For team for Missionary.....	\$40 00	
		\$40 00

Objects without the parish:

Convention assessment.....	\$5 00	
Episcopal assessment.....	8 50	
Domestic missions.....	1 87	
Foreign missions.....	1 00	
		\$16 37

Total contributions.....		\$56 37
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Clear Fork and Pottawatomie Missions; Rev. CHAS. HOLMES, Missionary.

Families, 5.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; infants, 1; total, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 4; added, 4; dropped, 1; present number, 7.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence; Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 24; individuals (not included in families), 3.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6.

Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 1.

Communicants: (No report.)

Sunday School: Teachers, 3; scholars, 22; total, 25.

Communion alms.....		\$10 38
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Contributions—Objects within the parish:

For Sunday School.....	\$4 50	
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Objects without the parish:

For diocesan missions.....	\$4 13	
For domestic missions.....	4 25	
For diocesan assessment.....	10 00	
For Bishop's salary.....	16 00	
		\$34 38

Total of communion alms and contributions.....		\$38 88
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The present Rector took charge of the Church of the Epiphany the third Sunday of January, 1876, and after the church had been closed about nine months. Several families had removed, and the congregation was scattered. The work thus far has been attended with difficulties; but with the blessing of God, we hope for a substantial, though it be a slow, growth. With but five or six children in the families of the parish of age to attend Sunday school, and some six large Sunday schools already in successful work, it has

required patient labor to make a beginning, but we hope now for growth and prosperity in this work. One-fourth of my time has been given to the church at Parsons, and two were confirmed there at the Bishop's visitation. As that parish is to be supplied in a few days, I hope to devote all my time to this parish and stations near at hand.

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan; (vacant.) A. TODD, Senior Warden.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 2; total 7.

Confirmations, 9. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Present number, 40.

Sunday School: Teachers, 10; scholars, 50; total, 60.

Contributions—Objects within the parish.....	\$192 00
Objects without the parish.....	40 00

Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$232 00
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The parish has been without a Rector for several months, and we feel keenly the loss; but lay services and the Sunday School have been kept up, and, by the blessing of God, with considerable interest. We trust that, in the providence of God, it will not be long ere we are supplied with the regular services of the sanctuary.

A. TODD, Senior Warden.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ's Church, Salina; Rev. THOS. B. DOOLEY, Rector.

Families, 35; individuals (not included in families), 15.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 6; total 16.

Marriages, 4. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 25; added, 3; died or removed 3; present number, 25.

Sunday School: Teachers, 2; scholars, 14; total 16.

Communion alms.....	\$15 00
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Contributions—Objects within the parish:

For improvement and furnishing church.....	\$112 00
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Incidentals.....	6 00
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	\$118 00
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Objects without the parish:

Widows and orphans of clergy.....	\$2 25
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Diocesan missions.....	2 25
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Support of Episcopate.....	12 50
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Convention assessment.....	5 00
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Church Missionary Society.....	3 00
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Total of communion alms and contributions.....	\$158 00
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This report is from September, 1875, to June 7th, 1876.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Topeka; Rev. H. H. LORING, Rector.

Families, 70; individuals (not included in families), 24.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 6.

Communicants: Last reported, 86; added, 14; present number, 100.

Sunday School: Teachers, 8; scholars, 64; total, 72.

Communion alms.....	\$34 64
Contributions — Objects within the parish:	
Miscellaneous.....	\$323 32
Sunday School.....	38 00
Parish aid society.....	40 00
	<hr/> \$401 32
Objects without the parish:	
Shawnee Bible Society.....	\$23 50
Convention fund.....	90 00
Episcopate fund.....	40 00
Diocesan missions.....	18 00
	<hr/> \$171 50

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$607 46

The above report covers a period of only nine months, during the greater part of which there was no Rector. The present Rector took charge on the first of February. He found the Sunday school in a very low state, as regards interest and attendance. Within the last three months the school has in every respect steadily improved. The Ladies Parish Aid Society has been revived and reorganized, and is now earnestly at work. A parish guild has recently been organized, and to-day we see abundant first fruits in the amount raised in the parish within the last week for paying off all our indebtedness to the Diocese, viz., \$90 convention fund, and \$40 Episcopate support fund.

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth township; Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Rector.

Families, 19; individuals (not included in families), 6.

Communicants: Last reported, 30; removed, 2; present number, 28.

Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 40; total, 45.

Communion alms, applied to objects without the parish, as follows:

Domestic missions.....	\$3 00
Mexico	4 00

Total of communion alms and contributions..... \$7 00

WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte; Rev. THOS. BETTS, Rector.

Families, 15; individuals (not included in families), 9.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 3; total, 17.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 17; added, 6; died or removed, 7; present number, 16.

Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, 40; total, 45.

Contributions—Objects within the parish :			
Sunday collections.....	\$19	19	
Subscriptions used within the parish.....	44	80	
			\$63 99
Objects without the parish :			
Convention fund	\$5	00	
Support of Episcopate.....	8	50	
			\$13 50
Total of contributions.....			\$77 49

Up to the present we have made no division of the Sunday collections. They do not cover incidental expenses, and therefore have no money under the head of "communion alms."

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY.

Cedarvale Mission; Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary.

During the current ecclesiastical year my services have been mostly confined to Turkey Creek, where I have officiated every Sunday when not prevented from reaching the place of appointment by high water or storms. I have attended one funeral and baptized one infant. The changes in population have left me but five communicants; and yet, at no period since my arrival in the Diocese, have I seen so much to encourage me in the hope of spiritual fruits.

This report embraces the events only from the last annual Convention in September, 1875.

REV. JOHN BAKEWELL, D. D.,

Late Rector of Grace Church, Topeka.

Since my resignation of Grace Church, Topeka, last spring, and subsequent removal from Kansas, I have resided for the most part in this place.

During the past year I have deemed it advisable, on account of the condition of my health, to be entirely free from parochial responsibility, but have, nevertheless, been fully occupied on Sundays, preaching in different places in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, save while suffering in the winter from a severe attack of bronchitis. God willing, I shall resume regular work again in the fall. Respectfully,

JOHN BAKEWELL.

Cambridge, June, 1876.

REV. JOHN WOART,

Presbyter, Post Chaplain U. S. Army.

Since the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas met in September last, I have attended fourteen funerals, administered the sacrament of baptism nine times, and solemnized five marriages, all of which are recorded at this Post, agreeable to an order from the War Department, requiring chaplains to keep a record of their official acts.

I have conducted divine service regularly at the Post Chapel, celebrating

the Lord's Supper every month, usually to fifteen persons. My time is constantly occupied in the discharge of my various duties.

My temporary charge of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, terminated on the last Sunday in March last. My services there were kindly received by the people. I feel deeply interested in the parish. I hope to witness great prosperity in reference to its future, to the rejoicing of Christian hearts.

JOHN WOART.

Pt. Leavenworth, Kas., June 7, 1876.

APPENDIX D.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. FARNSWORTH, *In account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.*

1875.	Receipts.	Dr.	1875.	Disbursements.	Cr.
Sept. 9	To cash from Trinity Church, Atchison.....	\$90 00	Oct. 5	By cash per Bishop Vail, for N. Mathews, Treasurer	\$25 00
Sept. 9	" " St. Andrew's Church, Burlington.....	14 00	Nov. 10	" " General Convention.....	112 67
Sept. 9	" " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	60 00	Dec. 22	" " paid Commonwealth on printing.....	4 25
Sept. 9	" " St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	10 00	1876.	" " paid Rev. C. E. Butler, postage on journals.....	
Sept. 9	" " St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	40 00	Feb. 15	" " paid Commonwealth, for printing journal.....	18 00
Oct. 23	" " Post Chapel, Fort Leavenworth.....	1 50	May 4	" " paid Commonwealth, for printing journal.....	32 73
Nov. 15	" " St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	10 04	June 5	" " paid Commonwealth, for printing journal.....	35 10
1876.				Balance.....	281 09
March 29	" " Christ's Church, Salina.....	10 00			
Feb. 15	" " Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	20 80			
April 6	" " Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	10 00			
June 5	" " Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	45 00			
June 6	" " Grace Church, Topeka.....	90 00			
June 7	" " Zion Church, Center Township.....	5 00			
June 7	" " Cedarvale Mission.....	3 00			
June 8	" " Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	10 00			
June 8	" " St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	90 00			
	Total	\$509 34		Total	\$509 34

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Receipts.				Dr.	Date.	Payments.	Cr.
Sept. 9	To cash from Christ's Church, Salina.....		\$18 15		Oct. 5	By cash paid Bishop Vail.....	\$17 85
Sept. 9	" " St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....		10 50		Oct. 5	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	65
Oct. 5	" " St. John's Church, Girard.....		8 00		1876.		
Oct. 23	" " Post Chapel, Fort Leavenworth.....		8 50		Jan. 7	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	34 50
1876.					Jan. 8	Balance.....	183 80
Jan. 7	" " Trinity Church, Atchison.....		34 30				
May 9	" " Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....		15 75				
June 5	" " Trinity Church, Lawrence.....		42 60				
June 5	" " Grace Church, Topeka.....		40 00				
June 7	" " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....		15 55				
June 7	" " St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....		12 00				
June 7	" " St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....		2 00				
June 7	" " Trinity Church, Irving.....		2 00				
June 7	" " Zion's Church, Center Township.....		8 50				
June 7	" " Cedarvale Mission.....		3 00				
June 8	" " Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....		16 00				
	Total.....		\$286 30			Total.....	\$286 30

APPENDIX E.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

BISHOP VAIL, TREASURER, *In account with Contributors to Diocesan Missions.*

1875-6.	DR.	
To balance on hand from last account.....		\$199 74
To cash from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....		18 25
To cash from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....		29 53
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....		15 85
To cash from Grace Church, Topeka.....		21 31
To cash from Christ Church, Salina.....		7 85
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....		7 25
To cash from Mr. M. J. R. Treat, Hays City.....		5 00
To cash from Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....		4 13
To cash from St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....		4 25
To cash from St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....		3 05
To cash from St. John's Church, Girard.....		2 00
To cash from Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....		4 00
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....		3 50
Amount actually received since last convention.....		\$118 32
1875-6.	CR.	
By cash paid Rev. Thomas Betts, Missionary at Wyandotte, on salary.....		\$50 00
By cash paid Rev. Geo. Turner, Missionary on Cent. Br. U. P. R. R., on salary.....		50 00
By cash paid Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county, on salary.....		50 00
By cash paid Rev. C. E. Butler, Missionary at Monmouth, and traveling ex- penses as same.....		59 00
By balance on hand.....		91 73
Total.....		\$300 73
Amount actually paid out since last convention.....		\$209 00

PARISH ASSESSMENTS

For the year 1876-7, to be paid at or before the Convention of 1877.

<i>Parishes.</i>	<i>Convention fund.</i>	<i>Bishop's salary.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Atchison, Trinity Church.....	\$45 00	\$37 50	\$82 50
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Burlington, Ascension Church.....	10 00	21 00	31 00
Cedarvale, Mission.....		3 00	3 00
Center Township, Zion Church.....	5 00	9 00	14 00
Chetopa, St. Paul's Church		3 00	3 00
Ellsworth, Holy Apostles' Church.....		8 00	8 00
Emporia, St. Andrews' Church.....	5 00	12 00	17 00
Fort Leavenworth, Post Chapel.....	5 00	15 00	20 00
Fort Riley, Post Chapel.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church.....	30 00	32 00	62 00
Girard, St. John's Church.....	5 00	8 00	13 00
Independence, Epiphany Church	5 00	16 00	21 00
Junction City, Covenant Church.....	10 00	18 00	28 00
Irving, Mission.....		4 00	4 00
Leavenworth, St. Paul's Church.....	45 00	43 50	88 50
Leavenworth, St. John's Church	5 00	5 00	10 00
Lawrence, Trinity Church.....	45 00	50 00	95 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's Church.....	20 00	20 00	40 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel Church.....	5 00	14 50	19 50
Netawaka, Christ's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mark's Church.....		3 50	3 50
Parsons, St. John's Church.....	5 00	8 00	13 00
Salina, Christ's Church.....	5 00	12 50	17 50
Topeka, Grace Church.....	45 00	43 00	88 00
Wichita, St. John's Church.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church.....	5 00	8 50	13 50
Wakefield, St. John's Church	5 00	10 00	15 00
Total.....	\$325 00	\$427 00	\$752 00

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

_____ County (town or city), _____ inhabitants.
 _____ Church, organized _____.
 _____ Rector. Took charge _____.
 Families, _____; congregation, _____.
 Baptisms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —.
 Confirmed, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.
 Public Services: On Sunday, —; on holy days, —; on other days,
 —; total, —. Communions, _____.
 Communicants: Last reported, —; admitted, —; added by removal,
 —; lost by removal, —; died, —; present number, males, —; females, —;
 total, —.
 Sunday School: Teachers and officers, males, —; females, —; total, —;
 scholars, males, —; females, —; total, —.

OFFERINGS.

Expenditures, \$—; salary of Rector and other current expenses, \$—;
 salary of Bishop, \$—.

Convention assessment, \$—; communion alms, \$—; other objects
 within the parish, specified, \$—; total for parochial objects, \$—; Dio-
 cesan missions, \$—; Christmas fund, \$—; domestic missions, \$—;
 foreign missions, \$—; Indian missions, \$—; home missions to colored
 people, \$—; education of theological students, \$—; other extra paro-
 chial objects, \$—; total for extra parochial objects, \$—; total of all
 expenditures and offerings, \$—.

The source of the above is indicated as follows:

Pew rents, \$—; regular subscriptions, \$—; the offertory, \$—;
 special subscriptions, \$—; ladies' society, \$—; &c., \$—; total, \$—.

CONDITION OF PARISH.

Value of Church Property: Church lot, \$—; church, \$—; chapel,
 \$—; rectory, \$—; total, \$—.

Parish debt: Funded, \$—; floating, \$—; total, \$—.

Salary pledged to Rector, \$—; arrears of salary unpaid, \$—.

Parish library, — vols.; Sunday School library, — vols.

REMARKS.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the im-
 portance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its
 holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families, and our
 neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style
 and title of the parish of _____ Church (name of the city or town), county
 _____, State of Kansas; and by so doing, do adopt the Constitution and
 _____ of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,
 the Diocese of Kansas.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the annual meeting of the parish (*or, in case the parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the vestry*) of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. B., who is a baptized person, and a member of the said parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord, _____.

(Signed) _____
Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of _____.

Or, _____ *Wardens.*

Or, _____
Minister of _____ Church.

NOTE.—The names of all the delegates may be included in one certificate.

OFFICERS OF CONVENTION AND DIOCESE.

BISHOP—RT. REV. THOMAS HUBBARD VAIL, D. D., LL. D., Topeka.
Secretary—Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Topeka.
Treasurer—Mr. J. W. FARNSWORTH, Topeka.
Registrar—Rev. D. W. COXE, Fort Scott.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Fort Riley, President; Rev. C. E. Butler, Topeka, Secretary; Rev. A. Beatty and Rev. H. H. Loring; Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth, Geo. Geiger, F. W. Giles, and L. G. Hopkins.

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Revs. F. O. Osborne, Paul Ziegler, W. H. Hickcox, Chas. Holmes; Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, D. P. Blish, J. W. Farnsworth, and C. C. Kellam.

VISITORS AND EXAMINERS OF THE COLLEGE OF THE SISTERS OF BETHANY.

Revs. A. Beatty, D. W. Coxe, Paul Ziegler, Chas. Holmes, John Woart, and C. S. Daniel; Messrs. W. C. Ransom, J. H. Stringfellow, L. J. Halderman, B. L. Kingsbury, and G. W. Smith.

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Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., President *ex officio*, Topeka; F. W. Giles, Secretary, Topeka; Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., Fort Riley; Rev. J. N. Lee, Leavenworth; Hon. Wilson Shannon, Lawrence; J. W. Farnsworth, Topeka; S. S. Prouty, Topeka.

TRUSTEES OF THE KANSAS THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., President *ex officio*, Topeka; Rev. C. E. Butler, Secretary, Topeka; Rev. John Bakewell, D. D., and Rev. H. H. Loring, Topeka—all of Kansas; and Rev. Heman Dyer, D. D., of New York; and Messrs. George Geiger, James C. Horton, Alfred G. Otis, and Ambrose Todd, all of Kansas; and James F. Sheafor, of New York.

REFERRED TO CONVENTION OF 1877.

Proposed amendment to Article 12. Referred to Committee on Constitution and Canons.

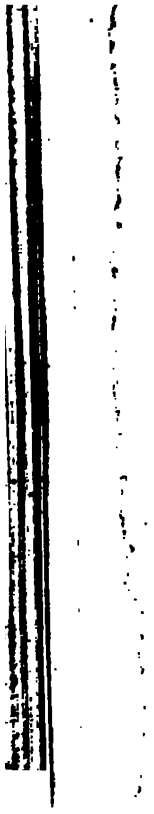
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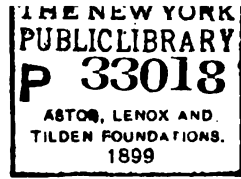
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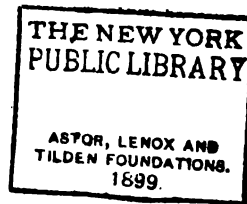
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LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES.

Trinity Church.....	Atchison.
St. Mark's Church.....	Baxter Springs -
St. Mark's Church.....	Blue Rapids.
Church of the Ascension.....	Burlington.
Zion Church.....	Center Townshp. W
St. Paul's Church.....	Chetopa.
St. Andrew's Church.....	Emporia.
St. Andrew's Church.....	Fort Scott.
St. John's Church.....	Girard.
Church of the Epiphany.....	Independence.
Church of the Covenant.....	Junction City.
Trinity Church.....	Lawrence.
Church of St. Paul.....	Leavenworth.
Church of St. John.....	Leavenworth.
St. Paul's Church.....	Manhattan.
Emmanuel Church.....	Monmouth.
St. Mark's Church.....	Oskaloosa.
St. Peter's Church.....	Osage Mission.
St. John's Memorial Church.....	Parsons.
Christ Church.....	Salina.
Grace Church.....	Topeka.
Trinity Church.....	Tray.
St. John's Church.....	Wakefield.
St. Luke's Church.....	Wamego.
St. Paul's Church.....	Wyandotte.

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostles.....	Ellsworth.
St. Thomas' Church.....	Eureka.
Emmanuel Church.....	Humboldt.
Grace Church.....	Garnett.
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	Ottawa.
St. John's Church.....	Wichita.

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	Fort Leavenworth.
Post Chapel.....	Fort Riley.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

- The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., L. L. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Topeka.
The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R.
The Rev. C. E. Butler, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, and Missionary at Monmouth.
The Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.
The Rev. Charles S. Daniel, Rector of the church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.
The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, Rector of Christ church, Salina.
The Rev. John L. Gay, Rector of St. John's Memorial church, Parsons, and St. Peter's, Osage Mission.
The Rev. William H. Hickcox, Missionary at Wakefield.
The Rev. L. L. Holden, Rector of the church of the Ascension, Burlington.
The Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county.
The Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.
The Rev. Henry H. Loring, Rector of Grace church, Topeka.
The Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity church, Atchison.
The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.
The Rev. George Turner, Missionary on Central Branch U. P. R. R.
The Rev. John Woart, Chaplain U. S. A., at Fort Leavenworth.
The Rev. Paul Zeigler, Rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

- The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.
The Rev. Reese P. Kendall, Deacon and Missionary.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

- ALLEN COUNTY—Emmanuel Mission, Humboldt.
 ANDERSON COUNTY—Grace Mission, Garnett.
 ATCHISON COUNTY—Trinity Church, Atchison, Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rector; Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
 BOURBON COUNTY—St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector.
 BROWN COUNTY—Calvary Mission, Hiawatha, ———, Missionary.
 CHEROKEE COUNTY—Mission at Columbus and Baxter Springs.
 CLOUD COUNTY—Clyde, ———, Missionary; Concordia, ———, Missionary.
 COFFEY COUNTY—St. Andrew's church, Burlington, Rev. A. Beatty, Rector.
 CRAWFORD COUNTY—St. John's church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector.
 DAVIS COUNTY—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. O. Reynolds, D. D., Rector.
 DONIPHAN COUNTY—Trinity church, Troy, and mission at Wathena, ———, Missionary; mission at White Cloud.
 DOUGLAS COUNTY—Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. Paul Zeigler, Rector.
 ELLSWORTH COUNTY—Mission of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, ———, Missionary.
 FRANKLIN COUNTY—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, ———, Missionary.
 GREENWOOD COUNTY—Christ church, Eureka, ———, Missionary.
 HOWARD COUNTY—Cedarvale, Rev. H. S. Attwater, Missionary.
 JACKSON COUNTY—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
 JEFFERSON COUNTY—St. Mark's church, Oskaloosa, ———, Missionary.
 JOHNSON COUNTY—Olathe, ———, Missionary.
 LABETTE COUNTY—Parsons, St. John's Memorial church, Rev. J. L. Gay, Rector.
 LEAVENWORTH COUNTY—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City, Rev. Chas. S. Daniel, Rector; Church of St. John, South Leavenworth, ———, Rector; Fort Leavenworth, Rev. John Woart, Chaplain, U. S. A.; mission, Reno, ———, Missionary.
 LYON COUNTY—St. Andrew's church, Emporia, Rev. A. Beatty, Rector.
 MIAMI COUNTY—St. James' mission, Paola, ———, Missionary.
 MARSHALL COUNTY—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary; mission, Barret's school house, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary; Zion church, Centre township, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary.
 MONTGOMERY COUNTY—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, ———, Rev. L. L. Holden, Missionary; missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Thayer, ———, Missionary.
 NEMAH COUNTY—Wetmore and Seneca, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
 NEOSHO COUNTY—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, Rev. J. L. Gay, Missionary.
 POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY—St. Luke's Mission, Wamego, ———, Missionary.
 RILEY COUNTY—St. Paul's church, Manhattan, Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector; Fort Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, Chaplain, U. S. A.
 SALINE COUNTY—Christ church, Salina, Rev. T. B. Dooley, Rector.
 SIDGWICK COUNTY—St. John's church, Wichita, Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary.
 SHAWNEE COUNTY—Grace church, Topeka, Rev. H. H. Loring, Rector; Emmanuel Mission, Monmouth, Rev. C. E. Butler, Missionary.
 WYANDOTTE COUNTY—St. Paul's church, Wyandotte, Rev. Thomas Betts, Rector.

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TRINITY CHURCH,
ATCHISON, KAS., June 6th, 1877. }

This being the time and place for holding the Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in Trinity Church at ten o'clock A. M., for the celebration of divine worship.

Morning Prayer was said through the Psalter by the Rev. D. W. Coxe, the Rev. J. L. Gay read the Lesson and the Rev. C. E. Butler the Litany and concluding prayers. The Bishop read the Ante-Communion Service, assisted by the Revs. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., reading the Epistle, and W. H. Hickcox, the Gospel. The Rev. L. L. Holden then preached from Colossians 1: 28.

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D.

The religious exercises being concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, as required by Canon I., when those present answered to their names.

The certificates of lay delegates were then laid on the Secretary's table and referred to the following Committee

on Qualifications: Revs. Chas. Reynolds, D. D. and L. L. Holden and Mr. D. P. Blish.

The Convention then took a recess until 3 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 6th, 1877—3 P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications reported as follows:

The Committee on Qualifications report that they have carefully examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons reported by him are canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention in accordance with section 2, article III, of the Constitution of this Diocese:

CLERGY.

Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., L. L. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

Rev. Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Cedarvale, Howard county.

Rev. A. Beatty, Missionary on the A. T. & S. F. R. R.

Rev. C. E. Butler, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, and Missionary at Monmouth.

Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Fort Scott.

Rev. Charles S. Daniel, Rector of church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.

Rev. Thos. B. Dooley, Rector of Christ church, Salina.

Rev. John L. Gay, Rector of St. John's Memorial church, Parsons, and St. Peter's, Osage Mission.

Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Missionary at Wakefield.

Rev. Levi L. Holden, Missionary at Independence and parts adjacent.

Rev. Chas. Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county.

Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector of St. Paul's church, Manhattan.

Rev. Henry H. Loring, Rector of Grace church, Topeka.

Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity church, Atchison.

Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.

Rev. George Turner, Missionary on Central Branch U. P. R. R.

Rev. John Woart, Chaplain, U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth.

Rev. Paul Zeigler, Rector of Trinity church, Lawrence.

NOT ENTITLED TO A VOTE.

Rev. Reese P. Kendall, M. D.

Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

LAITY.

We also find that the following are entitled to a seat and vote as delegates from their respective parishes:

Atchison, Trinity Church—E. C. Sherer, D. P. Blish, C. E. Stiles.

Burlington, Ascension Church—B. L. Kingsbury, H. McAlister, J. A. Watkins.

Emporia, St. Andrew's Church—J. J. Buck, G. R. Graham, E. W. Spencer.

Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church—T. H. Annable, G. P. Strong, G. A. Scovill.

Girard, St. John's Church—M. M. Flint, W. H. Warner, J. E. Messerve.

Lawrence, Trinity Church—F. E. Stimpson, J. C. Horton, C. W. Babcock.

Leavenworth, St. Paul's Church—L. G. Hopkins.

Manhattan, St. Paul's Church—Ambrose Todd.

Monmouth, Emmanuel Church—Hiram C. Root.

Salina, Christ Church—James Chase, Charles A. Hiller.

Topeka, Grace Church—J. W. Farnsworth, F. W. Giles, N. W. Heath.

Wakefield, St. John's Church—Alf. Brown, J. H. Young, A. Willis.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. C. E. Butler was re-elected, and appointed the Rev. D. W. Cox as his assistant.

The Chair then appointed the following standing committees:

On Admission of New Parishes—Revs. W. H. Hickcox, T. B. Dooley and C. S. Daniel; Messrs. E. C. Sherer and Jas. Chase.

On Constitutions and Canons—Revs. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., A. Beatty and H. H. Loring; Hon. J. J. Buck and Hon. J. C. Horton.

On the State of the Church—Revs. J. H. Lee, J. L. Gay and Paul Ziegler; Messrs. Ambrose Todd and F. W. Giles.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. D. W. Cox; Messrs. Jas. H. Young and John E. Messerve.

On Finance—Rev. F. O. Osborne; Messrs. D. P. Blish and F. E. Stimpson.

The Treasurer, being called, asked for further time to report.

The Registrar also asked for further time.

The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee has held five meetings since the last Convention:

1. At the first meeting, June 12th, 1876, the Committee organized by re-electing the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., President, and the Rev. C. E. Butler, Secretary.

2. At the second meeting, July 4th, 1876, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Stevens Perry, D. D. as Bishop of Iowa. The Rev. Chas. S. Daniel was recommended for ordination to the Priesthood. Mr. Reese P. Kendall was recommended for ordination to the Diaconate. Mr. Nicholas W. Heath was recommended for admission as a candidate for Holy Orders.

3. At the third meeting, held October 3d, 1876, the testimonials of a person seeking admission as a candidate for Holy Orders were presented, and the Committee deferred action on the same.

4. The fourth meeting, held January 17th, 1877, was called to reconsider the action of the previous meeting. The Committee declared it inexpedient to admit the candidate, but the refusal had no reference to the moral character of the applicant.

5. The fifth meeting, held March 17th, 1877, was called by the Bishop as an advisory council.

CHAS. REYNOLDS, *President*.

The Bishop, on behalf of the Executive Missionary

Committee, asked permission to defer the financial portion of the report, that he might add thereto receipt of moneys expected in the course of the day. The permission was granted.

The report of Trustees of Diocesan Institutions being next in order, the President made a verbal report as to the prosperity in realization and in prospect of the College of the Sisters of Bethany and of the Kansas Theological School, and referred the Convention to his Annual Address for further particulars.

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan Institutions reported as follows:

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany would respectfully present the following report:

That they have, at various times, visited the Institution, and were present at the examinations and commencement exercises. They are most favorably impressed with the indications of progress in its various departments; with the general excellence of its instruction, and with the discipline which is gently but firmly administered. Its literary standing is such as to command the respect of all who are friendly to the higher education of women, and its exhibition exercises gave evidence of careful preparation and elegant scholarship. The musical department is conducted with superior ability, the exercises of the students at the commencement giving evidence of marked improvement and thorough instruction. While the College thus affords intellectual and æsthetic culture of a high character, the moral and spiritual training it gives is not defective. It not only disciplines the mind but forms the character. The unity and indivisibility of the moral and mental faculties is constantly recognized. It is in the truest sense a Christian College, its very atmosphere being that of a loving christian family and home. The students are taught the pure, bright, joyous spirit of our holy faith, not only by precept but by example. Belonging, as they do, to various religious bodies, their views and opinions are scrupulously respected, notwithstanding the Institution is churchly in its tone and spirit. We can not speak too highly of its elevating and refining influence. Nowhere in this por-

tion of the West is there a school for young ladies which can be compared with it as regards its advantages for developing the truest delicacy and tenderness of feeling, or, in other words, a womanhood that is really womanly. Excluded, as they are, from the frivolities which occupy so much of the time and attention of young persons at the present day, the students of Bethany become inspired with the highest aims and noblest purposes. We can, therefore, with perfect confidence recommend this Institution to the patronage of parents who have daughters to be taught, and to the fostering care of the Church.

Before closing this report we would take occasion to suggest the propriety of recommending to the students more generally the study of Greek, one of the elective studies. The limits of this report will not permit us to show the advantages of such a study, nor perhaps will it be necessary. But we know that there is a peculiar aptness or qualification in woman for the study of language, and that the study of the classics is the foundation of literary culture.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.
A. BEATTY, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that they have carefully examined the proceedings of the last Convention, and find that the Committee on the State of the Church were requested to answer this question: "What inducement can be offered that would enable the colored people of our Diocese to become interested in our church services?"

Rev. Messrs. Loring, Cox, and Zeigler, and Messrs. Farnsworth and Blish, were appointed a committee to report to this Convention on so much of the Bishop's address as appertains to the Kansas Theological School.

We also find that there was referred to this Convention a proposed amendment to article 12, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, and a report of the Bishop and Standing Committee as to defunct parishes.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. COX,
JAS. H. YOUNG,
J. E. MESSERVE.

The Parochial Reports were then presented to the Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds then offered the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That visiting clergy of other dioceses and theological students be invited to seats in this Convention.

Thereupon the Rev. Dr. James Runcie of St. Joseph, Mo., and subsequently the Rev. M. E. Buck of Kansas City, Mo., took their seats in Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds also offered an amendment to Canon II, forbidding the election of Candidates for Orders as Delegates to Diocesan Convention. Referred to Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Coxe offered a resolution proposing to deprive parishes of representation for neglecting to send delegates to Convention and failing to keep up divine service, for three years. Referred to Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds then asked that some action be taken with reference to the resolutions of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of General Convention, presented to this Convention in 1876.

On motion the subject was referred to a committee consisting of the Revs. John Woart and F. O. Osborne, and Mr. Ambrose Todd.

Mr. A. Todd then offered an amendment to Canon IV, section 1, to the effect that the Wardens and a *majority of the* Vestrymen shall be of the male electors of the parish. Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes, reported adversely to granting the petition of St. Matthew's church, Newton, to be admitted into union with this Convention, on account of the insufficiency of its papers. On motion, it was resolved that said parish be admitted

into union, provided that it present to the satisfaction of the Bishop and Standing Committee, on or before the first day of August next, documents in accordance with the Canons for admission.

The Rev. Paul Zeigler then called the attention of the Convention to the importance of taking action on the subject of intemperance. On motion the subject was referred to a committee consisting of the Revs. Paul Zeigler and J. H. Lee, and Hon. J. C. Horton.

The Convention adjourned until 8 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1877—8 P. M.

On account of the inclemency of the weather, preventing the attendance of members and the congregation, the reading of the Bishop's Annual Address, which had been fixed for this evening, was postponed to Thursday at 9:30 A. M. Miscellaneous business was taken up.

Following some remarks of the Rev. D. W. Coxe, on Sunday Schools, the Rev. Paul Zeigler moved that a committee be appointed to consider the subject, and to report to the next Convention. The chair appointed as said committee the Rev. Messrs. Coxe, Woart and Gay, Messrs. Stimpson and Stiles.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then made the following report:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of:

1. The proposed amendment to paragraph first, section first of Canon IV, proposed by Mr. Todd, providing that a majority of the Vestrymen shall be of the male electors.

2. The amendment proposed by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, adding after the word vestry, in fifth line of Canon II, "but no candidate for holy orders, in this or any other diocese, shall be eligible to represent a parish."

3. The amendment proposed by the Rev. Mr. Coxe, adding a second section to Canon II, as follows: "Whenever any church in union with this Convention, shall neglect for three years in succession, to make a parochial report, and shall not during the same period, have employed a clergyman as its parish minister, nor requested the ecclesiastical authority to have the services of a missionary or lay reader, such church shall be regarded as having forfeited its connection with the convention, and shall no longer have the right to send a delegation to the same. The Bishop shall report such church to the Convention in his Annual Address. Such church, however, may be readmitted upon application to the convention, accompanied by a report of its condition, and on such terms as shall appear just to the Convention."

Numbers 2 and 3 of the above report, having reference to Canon II, were, on motion, adopted. Number 1, the proposed amendment to Canon IV, section 1, was, after considerable discussion, made the order of the day for Thursday, at 3 P. M.

The Convention adjourned to 9 A. M., Thursday.

THURSDAY, June 7th, 1877—9 A. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Bishop was assisted in the Morning Prayer by the Revs. Dr. Jas. Runcie and C. S. Daniel.

The chair called the convention to order.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

Roll call and reading of the minutes were dispensed with.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds offered the following, which was unanimously adopted by a *rising vote*:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare a minute of thanks to Almighty God, to be entered on the Journal, for His great mercy in bringing our Right Reverend Father through such peculiar labors and great perils while administering this Diocese during the past year, in his usual health, to this, our Eighteenth Annual Convention.

The chair appointed in said committee the Revs. John Woart and J. L. Gay, and Mr. L. G. Hopkins.

On motion of the Rev. J. L. Gay it was decided to print five hundred additional separate copies of the Bishop's Address for general distribution.

It was recommended that the above resolution, with the minute of thanks, be prefixed to the additional copies of the Address.

The Registrar then presented the following:

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports that during the past year he has received and placed in the archives a complete file of the Kansas Churchman, a printed circular addressed to the communicants of the Church in this Diocese, the Journal of the General Convention for 1874, the Spirit of Missions since last June, the Annual Report of the American Church Missionary Society for 1876, and the Journals of Conventions of Minnesota, California, Louisiana, Kentucky, Maine, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Central New York, Easton, New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Wisconsin, Tennessee, Mississippi, Delaware, Missouri, Vermont, Massachusetts, Albany, Kansas, Georgia, Connecticut, Long Island, Michigan, Western New York, Maryland, Fon du Lac, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Northern California and Maine, 1820-1840.

The attention of this Convention is again called to the fact that other Dioceses are continually asking for old Journals of this Diocese to complete their list as far as possible. Last year the clergy and laity were requested to look up all the old Journals of this Diocese in their possession, and allow the Registrar to send as many of them as were needed to such Dioceses as had asked for them. No Journals have been received in response to this request. As this is a matter of some importance, a similar request is made this year in the hope that some old Journals of this Diocese may come into the Registrar's possession.

Article VIII. of the Constitution makes it the duty of the Registrar to procure such papers and documents, "printed or manuscript," as relate to "the history of the Church in this Diocese." To make this law of as much

ical benefit to the Diocese as possible, each rector, monary and lay reader is requested to prepare, in ng, a brief outline of the history of the parish or on under his charge and forward it to the Registrar placed on file with the other historical records of Diocese. The full benefit derived from a compliance

this request will become evident when we take consideration that there always are many facts of est and importance connected with the history of parish which never appear in the Journals of Con- ons, and that we are in danger of losing these facts as they are made a matter of permanent record.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. COXE, *Registrar.*

. Ambrose Todd offered the following, which was ted:

bed, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the necessity of men and to carry on the missionary work of the Diocese and of the church at large, be to a committee of three to devise means to bring this duty more prominently be- church.

ie chair appointed Revs. A. Beatty and Paul Zeigler, Mr. J. J. Buck.

ie hour for the order of the day prescribed by the s of Order having arrived, the Convention proceeded e election of officers.

r. J. W. Farnsworth was re-elected Treasurer.

ie Rev. D. W. Coxe was re-elected Registrar.

ie Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders for aties to General Convention and Alternates.

ie clergy chose and the laity approved the following: aties—Revs. Dr. Charles Reynolds, A. Beatty, D. W. e, H. H. Loring. Alternates—Revs. L. L. Holden, H. Hickcox, F. O. Osborne and J. L. Gay.

he laity in like manner, then chose and the clergy roved the following: Deputies—Messrs. Ambrose d, A. G. Otis, F. E. Stimpson, J. J. Buck. Alternates— I. Bartholow, G. A. Scovill, James Chase, George S. n.

For members of the Standing Committee, the clergy chose and the laity approved the following clerical members: Revs. Dr. Charles Reynolds, A. Beatty, H. H. Loring, C. E. Butler. The laity, in like manner, chose and the clergy approved the following lay members: Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth, F. W. Giles, George Geiger, L. G. Hopkins.

The Convention being re-assembled, these elections were ratified.

The Rev. H. H. Loring was nominated by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, for Trustee of the General Theological Seminary, and the nomination was concurred in by the Convention.

The Executive Missionary Committee was re-elected as follows: Revs. F. O. Osborne, Paul Zeigler, W. H. Hickcox, Charles Holmes; Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, D. P. Blish, J. W. Farnsworth, C. C. Kellam.

The Convention took a recess until 2 P. M.

THURSDAY, June 7, 1877—2 P. M.

On resuming the election of officers, the clerical members of the Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany were re-elected, as follows: The Revs. A. Beatty, D. W. Coxe, Paul Zeigler, Charles Holmes, John Woart and C. S. Daniel.

As to the lay members of said committee, it was decided for the sake of securing persons that should really discharge the duty, that the Rectors present nominate them; upon such nomination the Convention elected as follows: Messrs. A. G. Otis, J. J. Buck, A. Todd, G. W. Higinbotham, T. B. Eldridge and S. M. Palmer.

On motion, it was resolved that a committee of two, (one clergyman and one layman) be appointed to nomi-

five clerical Visitors of Kansas Theological School. The chair appointed as said nominating committee, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds and Mr. F. W. Giles, who nominated the following: Revs Dr. Reynolds, Holden, Woart, Lee and . The nomination was ratified by the Convention. Rev. Dr. Reynolds was nominated at the request of Bishop.

The Rev. Mr. Loring, from a committee appointed at the last Convention on that part of the Bishop's Address of the last year, having reference to the Kansas Theological School, reported as follows:

Our committee, to which was assigned at the last convention, that portion of the Bishop's Annual Address relating to the Kansas Theological School, respectfully report as follows:

In considering the subject before them, the committee would, in the first place, invite your attention to the evident need which this institution is designed to meet. "We are ever to hope for an adequate supply of clergymen," says the Address in hand, "we must raise them from among our own people, men adapted to the social wants and to the mental and spiritual wants of our frontier population, willing and able to make the sacrifices required of our missionaries, not too rude, not too learned, not too fast, sensible, intelligent, self-denying men, specially fitted to contend with infidelity and with Romanism, familiar with secular and with ecclesiastical History, and interpreters of the Scriptures, although perhaps not thorough classical scholars, loving their work, and willing to spend and to be spent in it."

That a great need exists in this direction, and that such need will in all probability increase, rather than diminish as time elapses, no one aware of the rapid growth of the population will be disposed to question. The immense resources of Kansas, the peculiar attractions which the State presents, and the notice which it is continually deservedly receiving from other and older sections of the country, cannot fail in a comparatively short time to bring within its confines a vast number of people. New towns will naturally spring up, and the population of our present thriving villages and cities will be largely

augmented. This all will demand of the Church prompt action and increased facilities. Unless opportunities for planting the Church be improved in their season, they will be forever lost to us. Indeed, if we had the men— young men actuated by a true missionary spirit, there are points which might to-day be secured and the foundations laid for future flourishing parishes. But for aggressive or pioneer work of this kind, we cannot to any considerable extent, depend upon supplies drawn from the ministry in the older dioceses; and we cannot expect to induce the coming hither of young men at present pursuing their studies in the theological seminaries of the east. We must look at home for the men, and train them as best we can "on the spot."

Now what steps shall be taken for gaining candidates for the ministry in our own diocese? We have an incorporated school; but what is very much desired and needed is an increase in the number of our students. Young men *must* be found, who are willing to enter a course of preparation at this Institution. We ask the clergy to consider the matter; we ask of each rector or missionary that he will exert his own personal influence in obtaining students for our Theological School.

Respectfully submitted.

H. H. LORING,
D. W. COXE,
PAUL ZIEGLER,
D. P. BLISH,
J. W. FARNSWORTH.

The report was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on the Support of the Episcopate reported as follows:

The committee appointed by last Convention to secure the collection of assessments upon communicants for the Bishop's salary would respectfully report that they carried out the instructions of the Convention, and have no reason to doubt the successful working of the plan adopted a year ago, if time be allowed to produce a perfect understanding of its various features on the part of both ministers and people. They would, however, recommend the reprinting of the standing resolution on the

subject another year before incorporating its provisions in the Canons. Respectfully submitted,

PAUL ZIEGLER.

DANIEL W. COXE.

FRED E. STIMPSON.

Atchison, June 7th, 1877.

Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the chair re-appointed the same committee.

The Rev. John Woart then read the following report of the committee appointed to consider proposed changes in the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, recommended by the General Convention of 1874, and to be finally acted upon by the General Convention of 1877.

The committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the members of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, now in session at the city of Atchison in the said Diocese, that it is expedient and desirable that the following addition be made to article 5th of the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

The General Convention may, upon the application of the Bishop and the Convention of an organized Diocese, setting forth that the territory of the Diocese is too large for due Episcopal supervision by the Bishop of such Diocese, set off a portion of such Diocesan territory, which shall thereupon be placed within, or constitute, a missionary jurisdiction, as the House of Bishops may determine.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the members of the said Convention above named, now in session at said Atchison, that it is expedient and desirable that the following amendment be made to article 8, of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to be added at the end of the article as it now stands.

Provided, That the General Convention may by Canon, arrange and set forth a shortened form of Morning and Evening Prayer, to be compiled from the Book of Common Prayer and other Liturgical Services.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the members of the said Convention above named, now in session at said Atchison, that it is expedient and desirable that the following amendment be made, by way of addition, to the 8th article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Provided, however, That the General Convention shall have power from time to time to amend the Sectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WOART, *Presbyter.*

FRANK O. OSBORNE, *Presbyter.*

A. TODD, *Layman.*

On motion, after discussion and a general expression of opinion in favor of the two proposed changes, touch-

ing the Liturgy and Sectionary, this report was laid on the table, the Convention deciding to leave the matter in the hands of its Deputies.

The hour for the order of the day appointed on Wednesday having arrived, that portion of the report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons having reference to the proposed amendment to Canon IV., Sec. 1, Par 1, line 5, requiring a majority of vestrymen to be of the male electors of the parish, was called up.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Loring it was laid on the table.

A motion to reconsider this was lost.

On motion of Mr. J. J. Buck it was

Resolved, That this Convention hold its next regular session at Emporia.

The Committee on Intemperance then submitted sketches of reports which, on being referred to the Bishop for his consideration, are combined and presented as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution upon the subject of Temperance have given the matter so much consideration as time would allow and they desire here to express their opinion, hoping it will meet the endorsement of this Convention.

Temperance consists in the moderate and reasonable use of anything which is good and proper; and in the total abstaining from everything which is bad, harmful, or improper.

Alcohol is essentially a poisonous drug which embraces and contains within itself this distinctive element, that its use as a beverage, no matter how moderate, so called, tends to beget an appetite for its further and immoderate use; so that the only safe and proper course, whether considered in the light of political ethics or of christian duty, is not to so use it at all.

While we hesitate to make the sweeping declaration that the use of intoxicating liquors is sinful *per se*, we cannot withhold the expression of our opinion that in our present social and climatic conditions the indulgence of this taste even in a small degree is dangerous to pub-

lic morality; for experience shows that very few who have once formed an appetite for alcoholic beverages are ever saved to the church, or even to respectable society. We would therefore commend to the conscience of every member of the Church in this Diocese the question whether the scriptural principle of total abstinence for our brothers' sake be not, under his circumstances, and the relation he bears to his fellow men, a plain christian duty.

Temperance work, like all other moral efforts, should be directed more as a preventative than otherwise; hence the great necessity for properly instructing the youth.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

First.—That the use of and traffic in alcoholic liquors as a beverage is one of the greatest hindrances to the cause of Christ which exists anywhere to-day in the civilized world, and leads directly to the commission of every crime and the violation of every law of God and man.

Second.—Ministers are recommended at suitable times to bring this matter before the congregations committed to their care.

Third.—In order to reach the young it is earnestly recommended that this matter be made a topic for the Sunday School, and that parents make it the occasion for home exhortation and the subject for family prayer.

Fourth.—That we deprecate that fallacy so prevalent, that alcohol may be used as a beverage in moderation, and that other imposition, that ales and light wines may be habitually used, without medical necessity, with safety by any one, or so used by the servants of Christ without "offense" and harm to others.

Fifth.—To the end that the temperance reform may be understood and the masses educated, we earnestly recommend the procuring of good and well selected temperance literature for our private, public and Sunday School libraries.

Sixth.—That the Bishop be requested, if he deems it proper, to append to his address just delivered in our presence, a note calling attention to this subject, and that the Committee on the State of the Church be requested to consider this subject in the preparation of their report.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS H. LEE.
PAUL ZIEGLER:
J C. HORTON.

The Rev. Mr. Ziegler then proposed the following addition to Canon XIII, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons:

If the proposed amendment be then approved by the majority, it shall lie over till the next following Annual Convention, when on motion, it may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Convention

The Rev. Mr. Lee proposed an amendment to article II of the diocesan constitution, section 1, changing the word Wednesday to Friday. Referred.

The Rev. D. W. Coxe then offered the following:

Resolved. That this Convention fully appreciates the marked ability and success which have characterized the publication of the Kansas Churchman, and desire hereby most

heartily to commend this paper to the favorable consideration of the clergy and laity of this Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Todd, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the Rector and members of Trinity church for their kind hospitalities during our present session; also to the various railroads for their kindness in giving reduction of fares to members of this Convention.

The Rev. J. H. Lee then offered the following:

WHEREAS, A few months ago we were threatened with a terrible scourge of locusts, which visitation has been graciously turned away from us by God's good providence, and we now have a good hope that for another year the kindly fruits of the earth are to be given and preserved to our use, therefore,

Resolved, That for this great deliverance this Convention desires to record its gratitude to the God who hears and answers prayer, and whose mercy endureth forever.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds then offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to present for action at the next diocesan Convention, a draft for a Canon for the government of missionary stations.

The chair appointed on said committee the Revs. Dr. Reynolds and Gay and Mr. J. J. Buck.

On motion it was resolved that the President and Secretary be a committee to publish five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The Convention adjourned till 8 P. M.

THURSDAY, June 7—8 P. M.

The Convention reassembled and was called to order.

The Missionary meeting was postponed on account of the heavy rain.

The Rev. Paul Ziegler then made the following report on behalf of the Committee on the State of the Church, which was adopted:

The Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report that it is unable to present such a statement of the condition of the church in this Diocese, and of the progress of the past year, as would merit the interest of the Convention, and would therefore request time to gather accurate information and compile a full report, which may, if approved by the Bishop, be found of sufficient interest to be printed in the Convention Journal.

The information contained in last year's report was gained mainly by correspondence after the adjournment of Convention, and it is next to impossible to do any statistical work during the progress of the session.

On the subject of interesting the colored people in the services of the church, the committee would express its conviction that loving and steadfast effort in this field would be as likely to receive the reward of good fruits, as labor in any other Christian field. Experience in this and other dioceses shows that colored people of the better class are naturally attracted by a liturgic and musical service, and manifest even greater aptitude in mastering its peculiarities than a correspondingly uneducated class of white people. The committee recommend the organization of Sunday Schools, wherever that may be practicable, for colored children exclusively, with as many colored teachers and officers as it may be possible to obtain; but they would express the opinion that if white teachers or officers be employed at all, special care be taken that they be both competent and of the higher class of white church people. They recommend a separation of the colored Sunday School from the white at all ordinary Sunday School services, not from fear of offending the white children by the literal illustration of the principle of christian brotherhood, but from a principle of expediency and for the sake of the colored people themselves, who are extremely sensitive to real or apparent slights, and would do better if all ordinary occasion for misapprehension be removed, and a higher *esprit du corps* be cultivated by a due regard for the principle of homogeneity.

Mr. F. E. Stimpson then offered the following, which, after some discussion, was adopted:

Resolved, That the latter part of the report referring to Colored Sunday Schools, the report of the Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany and all other important written reports, be recommended for publication in the Kansas Churchman.

An informal discussion was then had as to Sunday Schools and the best method of securing money for Diocesan Missions.

A motion was made that each clergyman be allowed to make a specific pledge of the amount his parish will contribute towards Diocesan Missions, whereupon the following pledges were made:

Rev. A. Beatty.....	\$ 25 00
" D. W. Cox, Fort Scott, \$50; Girard, \$25.....	75 00
" L. L. Holden.....	40 00
" F. O. Osborne.....	125 00
" W. H. Hickcox.....	50 00
" J. L. Gay, for his two parishes.....	40 00

The Convention adjourned until 8:30 A. M., Friday.

FRIDAY, June 8th, 1877—8:30 A. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Bishop was assisted in the Morning Prayer by the Revs. Paul Ziegler and E. M. Buck.

The chair then called the Convention to order.

The reading of minutes and roll call were dispensed with.

The Finance Committee then made a report. Pending the consideration of said report it was, on motion, decided that the Finance Committee be continued, with instructions to prepare, with the assistance of the Bishop and the Treasurer, a report for the Journal. (See Appendix.)

It was also resolved that the basis of assessment for Convention fund be not in excess of 30 cents per communicant.

The Rev. F. O. Osborne then moved that in order to facilitate the business of the Convention the following resolutions be adopted:

Resolved, That the accounts of the Treasurer be balanced up to the evening preceding the meeting of the Convention, and that his report be made up to the same time.

Resolved, That in order to have the parishes duly credited for amounts sent in at the meeting of Convention, such collections on the new account be simply printed in the Journal after the Treasurer's balanced account.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then made the following report:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the proposed change to article 2, section 1, of the constitution, and recommend that it be amended so as to change the

time from the first Wednesday to the first Friday after the first Sunday.

The committee have also had under consideration the proposed amendment to Canon XIII, requiring no change in the Canons until the following Annual Convention after the proposition is made, and then requiring a two-third vote of the Convention.

The committee deem the proposed change inexpedient for the following, among other reasons:

1. It will sometimes prevent necessary changes demanding immediate action.

2. It is not in accordance with the usages of any Diocese in communion with this Church; nor is it in accordance with the Canons of the Church at large.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The committee appointed to draw up a minute of thanks, reported as follows:

Resolved, That the clerical and lay members of this House, having listened with profound interest to the recital of the abundant labors, and to the many perils, (which he prefers to call simply exposures) which our Rt. Rev. Father in God, the Bishop of this Diocese has patiently and cheerfully endured for the furtherance of the gospel and the growth of the Diocese, place upon our Journal the following

MINUTE.

We hereby express our humble thanks to our Heavenly Father for His great goodness in favoring our Bishop with that continued health and strength which has enabled him to perform such apostolic labors during the year—for His mercy in protecting him in the midst of great perils; and for the joy which is welling in our hearts for bringing him in safety and in health to this our Eighteenth Annual Convention.

The Executive Missionary Committee then made the following report:

The Executive Missionary Committee begs leave to report that it has held two formal meetings within the past year, both of them at Topeka, and besides transacting its ordinary business has adopted the following general rule:

"Moneys specially appropriated by the donors to a particular mission or missionary will be gladly received by

the Committee and, if such appropriation be approved by the Bishop, the Treasurer may pay over such moneys in accordance with the expressed will of the giver."

The Secretary has been instructed to correspond with parishes with a view to obtaining definite pledges for the support of the general work of the Committee, or for specific parts of our diocesan missionary work.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL ZIEGLER, *Sec'y.*

The minutes were then read, corrected and approved. The business of the Convention being concluded, after devotional exercises conducted by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. VAIL, *President.*

C. E. BUTLER, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

It seems but yesterday, my brethren, since we were gathered together in our last Annual Convention. But a year has come and gone, with its manifold opportunities of usefulness, with its work well done or badly done, with its solemn accountabilities. And it has taken its place with all of its weal or wo for others, with all of its weal or wo for ourselves, on the record which we, every one of us, are to meet at the judgment seat of Christ.

"A few more years shall roll,
A few more seasons come,
And we shall be with them that rest
Asleep within the tomb
Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that great day;
O wash me in thy precious blood,
And take my sins away." Hy. 28.

The Sunday following the Convention was spent in Topeka, where the Rev. John L. Gay, having then just entered the Diocese, preached in the morning at Grace Church. In the evening I delivered an Address in the chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary, at the College of the Sisters of Bethany, the Rev. Messrs. Butler and Gay assisting in the services. And here I may as well state, that I need not repeat it, that on every Sunday evening through the year, whenever I have been at Topeka, I have made a familiar address upon the Gospel or the

Epistle for the day, in this chapel, and on all the Sundays when I have been absent, the Rev. C. E. Butler, the chaplain, has done the same. A Service with the Evening Prayer and an address, is regularly held in the chapel on Sunday evenings. The singing on these occasions, both of chants and hymns is delightful.

On Wednesday, June 14th, I started for Parsons, in Labette county, by way of Emporia, where we passed the night. On the next day we reached Parsons, where, in the evening, we held a Service in St. John's Memorial Church, when Mr. Gay preached, prior to accepting a call to the Rectorship of that parish. The attendance was good, the visit was mutually satisfactory, and Mr. Gay decided to accept the Rectorship, which he now holds. Soon after Mr. Gay's removal to the parish, it was determined to secure a house for a Rectory. With the aid of \$200, through the Bishop, a small and well located house was purchased, and enlarged by the addition of a wing, and thus a comfortable house for a small family, like that of the Rector, has been secured. By traveling that night I reached home in the course of the next day.

On Sunday, the 18th, in the College chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary, I preached, in the evening, the Baccalaureate Sermon, which I prepared as a Centennial Discourse, reviewing the leading facts in the progress of the world and also of the Church, during the preceding century of our national life. Monday and Tuesday were occupied with the examinations of the College, as the last half of the preceding week had been. On Wednesday, June 21st, was the Commencement, when two young ladies received their diplomas as graduates of the Institution.

It is curious to note how few of all our pupils graduate. The proportion is probably not larger than one in twenty

or perhaps one in thirty. The fact is one of the incidents of a new country, where the large majority of pupils are content to stay a little while, as their means will allow, and where so few have the pecuniary ability or the leisure from industrial callings, to enable them to complete the curriculum of an extended course of study. As capital increases, and society becomes more established, this difficulty will gradually rectify itself.

For the two or three following weeks I was much engaged in preparing my papers for the Annual Journal, until on July 5th, I went to Leavenworth, where, on Thursday morning, the 6th, in the Church of St. Paul, I ordained the Rector, the Rev. Charles Stettler Daniel, Deacon, to the order of Priests. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D. The candidate was presented by the Rev. John Woart, post chaplain at Fort Leavenworth, one of the examiners. The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, and the Rev. Messrs. Woart, Dooley, Betts, Holmes, Osborne and Ziegler of this diocese, and the Rev. J. H. Mendenhall of the diocese of Pennsylvania, united with me in the imposition of hands. May the Rectorship of this young Presbyter be blessed of God!

On the same day, in the afternoon, a meeting of the Convocation was held; arrangements were made in reference to future meetings; and the important subject of "The Relations of Confirmation to the general work of the Ministry in our parishes," was considered and discussed.

On the following Sunday, Mr. Daniel was *instituted* into the Rectorship of the Church of St. Paul, according to the form authorized and in use in this Diocese, by the Rev. Mr. Woart, whom, as I had already a pre-engagement elsewhere for that day, I had appointed as the Institutor.

On that Sunday, July 9th, I was in Topeka, where, in

the morning, at Grace Church, I ordained Mr. Reese Kendall, M. D., candidate for Deacon's Orders, to the Diaconate. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. I. H. Loring, and the candidate was presented by the Rev. C. E. Butler, one of his examiners.

In the course of this week, I went with my family and chiefly with reference to the health of my little invalid boy, to take him to such points at the east, as the physician had directed. I was absent some two months returning in September in the week preceding the opening of the first or Advent Session of the College. It may be necessary for me to say, that, while at the East on this visit as on all previous visits, my Diocese has been ever uppermost in my mind, and that in public addresses and in private communications, I have labored to advance its interests.

Sunday, September 17th, I was in Topeka, and assisted in the Services at Grace Church.

Sunday, September 24th, I preached in the morning at Trinity Church, Atchison, and in the evening at the Post Chapel at Fort Leavenworth.

Sunday, October 1st, I visited Trinity Church, Lawrence, where in the morning I made an address and administered the Holy Communion; in the afternoon I addressed the Sunday School, and in the evening preached in the Chapel.

Sunday, October 8th, I visited the Church of St. Paul at Leavenworth, where I preached in the morning. A confirmation had been expected, but was in some way providentially prevented.

From Leavenworth I went eastward, arriving in Philadelphia just in time to attend the Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions, and the Meeting of the House of Bishops that week. In the Board of Missions the route

business was attended to; many important questions bearing upon the conduct and success of our great missionary work were discussed. The Rev. Joshua Kimber, long a faithful Office Secretary, was elected Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee in the place of the late lamented Richard B. Duane, D. D., whose untimely removal has taught our whole church, by the discipline of sorrow, to realize that its strength is only in God. In the House of Bishops, the election of two Foreign Missionary Bishops was accomplished—the Rev. Samuel I. J. Schereschewsky, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Shanghai and China, and the Rev. C. Clifton Penick, Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas and parts adjacent in Africa.

On October 24th and 25th, I attended and took part in the Anniversaries of the American Church Missionary Society and of the Evangelical Educational Society, at the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia. These Societies are very important helpers in the general missionary work of our Church, and this Diocese has been under especial obligations to them.

After these various meetings I devoted three or four weeks to special efforts in providing for the Missionary and Educational needs of our Diocese in these hard times of pecuniary embarrassment and distress, and returned home in time to join with our College Family in a late dinner and in the closing religious services of our National Thanksgiving Day.

Having remained in Topeka on Sunday, December 3d, attending Grace Church in the morning, and officiating in the College Chapel in the evening, I went over to Atchison, on Tuesday, December 5th, and attended the Convocation, which lasted from Monday evening, when the Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. H. Loring, of Grace Church, Topeka, until Wednesday evening. On

the evening of Tuesday I held a confirmation in Trinity Church, when nineteen (19) persons ratified the vows of their Baptism, and were thereby received as communicants in this Church. Services were held in the morning, afternoon and evening of each day, and various practical questions were discussed, much to the advantage not only of the clergy but of the laity assembled in the congregations. It may be well to preserve the record of the several questions proposed for discussion, such as "The preparation and instruction to be given to candidates for confirmation," "The most effective sort of preaching for Sunday evenings," "The Free Church System." The Closing Service was a Missionary Meeting.

On Sunday, December 17th, I visited Christ Church Salina, where I preached in the morning, and in the evening, after an address, confirmed sixteen (16) candidates, most of them heads of families.

That night I went on to Victoria, in Ellis County, to confer with Mr. George Grant in reference to the building of a Church within the bounds of the Colony.

On Sunday, December 24th, Christmas eve, I read the Service and preached, both morning and evening, in Grace Church, the Rector being seriously sick and confined not only to his house but to his bed. On the next day, being Christmas Day, the Rev. C. E. Butler assisted me in the Service, and I made an address, and administered the Holy Communion. On the evening of Thursday, Holy Innocent's Day, in this Christmas week, the Sunday School of Grace Church had a reunion with a few young people of the College, who had remained during the vacation, in the school rooms of the College where they sang their carols, and listened to brief addresses, and then sat down to a plentiful repast appropriately provided by their teachers for the pleasant occasion.

On the 16th, 17th and 18th of January there was a Convention held at Grace Church, Kansas City, at which several of the clergy of this Diocese were present and took part. Bishop Robertson of Missouri presided. I was present, by invitation, on the last of these days, and made an address that evening at the Closing Service in St. Luke's Church. The subjects discussed I make a note of, as they may be of use on other similar occasions. They were, "Secular and Religious Education," "Pastoral Intercourse," "Missions in the District," "Missions and Revivals," "Popular Literature," "Causes and Cure of Unbelief."

On the evening of the next day, Friday, the 19th, Services were held at St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte. Most of the members of the convocation attended. Bishop Robertson had returned to St. Louis. Addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Buck and Duncan of Kansas City, and the Rev. Mr. Osborne, of Atchison, the closing address by myself. The heart of the venerable Rector, the Rev. Thomas Betts, was evidently made glad.

On Sunday, January 28th, I was at Humboldt, in Allen county, where I read the Service and preached both morning and evening in the Presbyterian church, which was kindly loaned to us for the day. In the morning I also administered the Holy Communion. On this visit I made arrangements for services on one Sunday of each month in this important county-town by the Rev. L. L. Holden, of Independence.

On the 5th, 6th, and 7th days of February the Convocation of the Diocese met at Grace Church, Topeka. The Holy Communion was administered on Wednesday morning at the closing Service. The Rev. Messrs. Buck and Duncan of Kansas City were present and shared in the several Services and discussions. The Bishop of the Diocese presided. The subjects discussed were, "The re-

lations of Science to Religion," "Hindrances to a Spiritual Life," and "Festivals and Entertainments as a means for raising money to be used for Church or religious purposes." The meeting was quite a success. The Missionary Meeting on Tuesday evening was spirited and effective.

On Sunday, February 11th, I opened St. Andrew's Church, Emporia. This church has never been finished on the interior until now. Services were suspended for some three months that the improvements might be made. The large, high, open roof has been paneled and ceiled with hard pine, while the principal rafters and purlines have been put in architecturally as of black walnut. The side and end walls have been suitably plastered. A good and sufficiently high wainscoting, resembling black walnut and hard pine in alternate strips has been put around the whole church. A convenient robing room has been arranged on one side of the chancel, and a corresponding place for the choir on the opposite side. The interior is certainly one of the finest to the eye in the Diocese. A small debt remained, which was soon after removed, so that the church might be consecrated before the Convention. We congratulate both the Pastor and the people on this auspicious result of their mutual labors and of some real sacrifices for Jesus' sake.

On the Sunday following, February 18th, I made a second visitation of Christ Church, Salina, where I preached in the morning. In the evening, after an address, I confirmed nine (9) persons more, and delivered a charge.

The whole number were of mature age, and most of them heads of families, as on my previous visit. Our worthy brother, the Rev. Mr. Dooley, has certainly reason to "thank God and take courage."

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ctor, and, in connection with the general pros-
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wo of whom were members of our College
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em in His own school and family, the holy

uesday, March 14th, I held a Service in the
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, where I con-
(6) persons. I regret to state that the Rev.
tts had decided to remove to his former home
braska. He has served very patiently and
mong his people, and has secured the sincere
his brethren, as well as the love and venera-
members of his parochial cure.

Sunday following, the 5th Sunday in Lent,
1, I was in Manhattan, where in the morning
and afterward addressed the Sunday School,
evening made an address upon Missions, ar-
th the Rector, a plan of systematic contribu-
e leading missionary purposes. There were
med, the Rector having so recently entered
ork. It is a great pleasure to be able to say
v. J. H. Lee, so long the Rector in this parish,
ago resigned and went to southern Ohio, has
this diocese and has resumed the Rectorship,

where an attached people are giving to him a cordial welcome. Another visitation was appointed for the confirmation of a class just formed.

On Friday, March 23d, we had the severest gale and snow storm of the season. I went up to Junction City that afternoon, and found the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, there from Fort Riley. In the evening we held Service at the Church of the Covenant, where I preached to a few faithful ones who had dared the storm. The Rector and myself spent the larger part of Saturday in visiting the parishioners from house to house. On Sunday, the 25th, I preached, in the morning, at the Church of the Covenant. In the afternoon we drove over to Fort Riley, where I preached in the Post Chapel and, after the Service, met most of the officers and the ladies of their families at the Chaplain's Quarters. In the evening we were again at the Church of the Covenant, where I preached, and confirmed four (4) persons and delivered to the confirmed a special charge, according to our invariable custom.

On the next morning, March 26th, Monday in Holy Week, I visited Clay county, and occupied a portion of the day in calling upon and meeting the members of our flock. In the evening, at our new and really beautiful little church on the prairie, St. John's, four miles from the village of Wakefield, I made an address to a crowded congregation, and confirmed seven (7) persons. A very comfortable Parsonage, with a large parlor or sitting room, two bed rooms and a large commodious kitchen has been built or rather arranged near the Church, out of an old building, moved up from the village to its present location, and remodeled and enlarged economically by the personal labor of the people and especially of the Missionary.

On the next day I visited other families, confirmed one (1) person who was sick at her own house, and baptized two (2) infants in two separate households, returning to Junction City in the evening and reaching home the next day.

On the day following, Thursday in Holy Week, I went to Leavenworth, where in the evening I made an address and administered the Holy Communion on that exact anniversary of its Institution. On Good Friday, March 30th, I preached in the morning in the Church of St. Paul and confirmed three (3) persons, who expecting to leave the city in Easter Week could not wait for my regular appointment a month later.

On Sunday, Easter Day, April 1st, I made an address at Grace Church, Topeka, and administered the Holy Communion, at the invitation of the Rector, who was present and assisted. In the evening I made an address at the College Chapel.

Sunday, April 8th, had been appointed for the visitation of Emmanuel Church, Monmouth. But a heavy rain had made the roads so difficult, that it was deemed advisable to defer the visit. In the evening there were the usual Service and address at the College chapel.

On the next day I started via Kansas City for Fort Scott, which I reached about 11 o'clock that evening.

On the morning of Tuesday, April 10th, at 9 o'clock, in a private house, I baptized two (2) adults and one (1) infant, and confirmed one (1) sick person. At 10:30 I consecrated, with the usual impressive forms, St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, delivering an address instead of a sermon, on the occasion. In the afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, we had Evening Prayer, when I made an address and confirmed one (1) person. After church, at 4 p. m., I confirmed one (1) person who was sick, at her own home, making three (3) persons confirmed at this visit.

The Convocation was in session, the sermon on Monday evening having been preached by the Rev. J. L. Gay, of Parsons. There were present, the Rev. Messrs Beatty, Cox, Gay, and Osborne, of this Diocese, and the Rev. J. M. Curtis of Christ Church, Booneville, Missouri.

At 5 P. M., we all went to Girard, in Crawford county, where in the evening we held Service in St. John's Church, just ready for consecration. The sermon was by the Rev. Mr. Curtis, and six (6) persons were confirmed, presented by the Rev. D. W. Coxe, who holds the Rectorship of this parish as well as that of St. Andrew's, Fort Scott, giving the people one Sunday in each month, besides a monthly week-day Service.

On the next morning, Wednesday, April 11th, St. John's Church, Girard, was consecrated, a sermon was preached, and the Holy Communion was administered, by the Bishop. In the afternoon, at three o'clock, after prayers and the reading of the Scriptures, the Convocation went into session, and a discussion was had on "the relation of the Sunday School and of Christian Education to the Church," each of the clergy present giving his views. The afternoon was filled up both pleasantly and profitably. In the evening we met again. After singing and a few Collects, and a brief address by the Bishop, Holy Baptism was administered by the Rector to three (3) adults; after which an address was made by the Bishop in reference to Confirmation, and six (6) persons more were presented and confirmed, making twelve (12) in all during the visitation.

On the next morning, leaving the Rev. Mr. Coxe to visit among these new disciples, and parting at Fort Scott from the Rev. Mr. Curtis, who returned to his home, the Rev. Messrs. Beatty, Gay, and Osborne went with the Bishop to Burlington in Coffey county, where we arrived

about 6 p. m. There we found the Rev. Mr. Hickcox of Clay county, who had come to meet us at his old home.

Our plan had been to open the Church of the Epiphany, which had been undergoing extensive repairs—a thorough renewing of the interior, putting on a new open roof ceiled with wood, adding a handsome side tower, replastering the walls, etc., making it with the exception of the framed sides and ends, an entirely new building. But the contractor had met with a dangerous fall, fracturing his leg, and the work was accordingly delayed, and the church not quite ready. At 8 o'clock we had Evening Prayer at the Methodist Church, which was kindly lent to us; addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Osborne, Gay and the Bishop. After these services, there was a reception at the house of one of the parishioners—a large and very pleasant gathering, with refreshments. An hour or two were filled up very agreeably, and the unity and good will of these excellent people were plainly exhibited.

On Friday morning, April 13th, at the same place, we had the Litany, and addresses were made by the Rev. Mr. Gay and the Bishop.

At 2 p. m. we went by a freight train to Emporia, which we reached about 6 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Hickcox was obliged to go on up the Neosho valley in order to be ready for his services in Clay county on the Sunday. At 8 o'clock we met a very large congregation at St. Andrew's Church. Several of our friends also had arrived from Burlington by the later passenger train. St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, was consecrated, the sermon was preached by the Bishop, and three (3) persons were confirmed.

This week was eventful in the history of our new Diocese—three churches having been consecrated within four days.

On Saturday morning the Rev. Messrs. Gay and Osborne started for their homes, in opposite directions, the former one hundred miles to the southeast, the latter one hundred and twenty miles to the northwest, while the Rev. Mr. Beatty and myself went down a hundred miles further into the southwest to Wichita in Sedgwick county, which we reached late in the evening. Stopping some four hours at Newton in Harvey county, we visited several of our families there.

On Sunday, April 15th, we held services at Eagle Harbor in Wichita, where I preached. In the afternoon, at 4 o'clock, I baptized one (1) child at the same place, and made a short address. In the evening we had Evening Prayer, when I made an address and confirmed one (1) person. In the interims between these Services we visited some of the families.

We were obliged to take a freight train early in the morning of Monday, April 16th, in order to reach Newton in time for a Service appointed for the evening that day. We visited several of the families in the course of the day, and in the evening held Service in the Methodist Church, where I preached, and confirmed one (1) person.

I trust we shall not have to wait long to furnish a Missionary and Pastor for these two towns. Quite a number of our people and of persons friendly to our church are resident in each, and good congregations and increasing lists of communicants would soon reward the faithful laborer, if we could find one suitable for the charge and could send and support him in it.

Sunday, April 22d, was spent in Lawrence, in the visitation of Trinity Church. After an address in the morning, seven (7) persons were confirmed. Before the morning Service I visited and addressed the Sunday School

St. Simon the Cyrenian—of colored children. I am glad of this work, and wish that our clergy generally could strive to interest our colored people in religious teachings, and thus in part at least pay back to them in spiritual gifts the debt which we owe to this long-oppressed and unhappy race, and lead them to a deeper personal interest in that holy church, in which is “neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free, but Christ is all and in all.” In the afternoon I visited and addressed the Sunday School, and in the evening preached in the chapel. The debt of this parish has been somewhat reduced in the course of the last year, but enough remains to tax to the utmost the patient energy and liberality of the people.

On the following Sunday, April 29th, I was at the Church of St. Paul in the city of Leavenworth, where I preached and administered the Holy Communion in the morning. From the church I went to the Fort, where I preached in the evening at the Post chapel, being assisted in the Service by the Rev. John Woart, the efficient chaplain of the post.

On Wednesday I started upon a trip which I have long contemplated, through some of the southern counties of our State. Going from Topeka to Kansas City, where I saw some members of my family started for the East, I returned by a freight train that night to Lawrence, from which place I went on the next day to Coffeyville, in Montgomery county, on the edge of the Indian Territory, by the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad. At this town, the southern terminus of the road, I met the Rev. L. L. Holden, who accompanied and assisted me on the trip. In the afternoon of Friday, May 4th, at the house of Hon. T. B. Eldridge, I met four families, and baptized eight (8) little girls, two from each family. It was a very interesting occasion. In the

evening we held Services in the large school house, where I preached and confirmed one (1) person. On the next day we drove over to Independence, the shire town.

On Sunday, May 6th, in the Church of the Epiphany I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the evening I preached again, and confirmed one (1) person. The Rev. Mr. Holden resides here, and officiates in this Church on two Sundays in each month, giving also one Sunday in each month to Humboldt, and another Sunday or Sundays to Coffeyville and Neodesha or other points in Montgomery, Wilson and Elk counties. In this way the coal in each of these towns is kept alive and our people encouraged.

On Monday, May 7th, we drove north to Neodesha, Wilson county, where we have a faithful few. Here, in the evening, in the Congregational Church, kindly loaned to us, we held Services, and after an address, I confirmed one (1) person.

On the next day, Tuesday, May 8th, we went westward to Longton in Elk county, where in the evening, at the Methodist Church, we held Service and I preached. It had been a day of great excitement in the village, as the people were considering and debating on propositions from several (I believe seven) railway companies, in reference to the building of roads, both of the standard gauge and of the narrow gauge, through the two southern tiers of counties. The same subject was prominent in all the towns we visited, and the voting of towns and of county bonds will doubtless soon bring upon the lower counties the experience with which our northern and eastern counties are already so familiar.

On the next morning, May 9th, we drove to Cedar Falls in the southwestern corner of Chautauqua county, some thirty-eight miles, by Cedar Falls, where we found many families of our church. We stopped in Cedarvale

re house of our venerable brother, the Rev. Henry S. Attwater, who is residing with his son, and is doing ministerial duty from point to point as he has strength and opportunity. On the evening of that day, we held Service in the large school house in the village, where I preached to a crowded congregation. On the next day, being Ascension Day, as a circus had taken possession of the village, we went to another school house three miles distant from the village, and had the Morning Service, and after an address, I celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted in the delivery of the elements by my venerable brother, Mr. Attwater. It was a delightful gathering. At the close of the services, a young man of influence and energy, succeeding well in his profession, who had attended all these services and had been deeply impressed, came to me as an applicant for confirmation. It seemed like a sudden decision. It was his present opportunity, perhaps his only opportunity for years. I conversed with him, and was satisfied that he was determined to be a follower of Christ, by the help of the Holy Spirit. A half hour later, at the house and in the room of Mr. Attwater, he was confirmed with a full understanding of all that is implied in that solemn rite, and we left him relying on the help of God.

Our visit was a source of great comfort to the scattered members of our flock in this part of the State. We were welcomed and parted from with tears. One earnest and communicant of seventy years came on horseback seven miles over the rough roads and through the storms, present at these Services and to stay through them and others came long distances and conferred with privately on many questions of duty as well as attended public worship. The heart of our venerable brother eighty years was filled with joy, for in all the six

years of his residence on this outpost he had never before seen the face of a brother clergyman.

It was a long southeasterly storm, very unusual in this country. We could generally travel under the clouds with occasional sprinklings, in the day time; but at night the heavy rains fell. And in these nights at Cedarvale the country was flooded.

On Friday morning we started westward. We had struck the range of stony hills which runs about south-southeast from Riley, Davis and Dickinson counties on the north to Chautauqua and Cowley counties on the south, and these hills we were crossing. It was very rough driving over the rolling, rocky and steep hills, and up the long rocky canyons, and occasionally over rich soft alluvial bottoms, until about 6 P. M., we forded the swollen Walnut River on the top of a high dam, and within four feet of the edge, the only possible ford along that part of the river, and entered Arkansas City on the southern edge of Cowley county.

That evening we held Services in the Presbyterian Church, Mr. Holden, as on all these occasions, reading the service, myself and the few of our people gathered from the town and its neighborhood responding, after which I preached. It deserves record that here, and in all this circle of public services, the choirs of the churches, where it was arranged for us to preach, or else the people of the neighborhood, with the assistance of our members, had fully prepared themselves for our chants, and we were able to have our Services, even in these entirely new localities, with the order and almost the completeness which we find in our old-established congregations. A member of our church, who had expected to entertain us at Arkansas City, was sick, and I received the kind hospitality of the Rev. Mr. Fleming, the Presbyterian minister.

On Saturday morning, in the rain, we started for Winfield. We were to dine on the way at the house of Mr. McArthur, a churchman, who lived six miles to the north. Our good host went on his pony by our side, dripping wet, to his house. There we met our hostess and her mother, and Mr. Holden baptized the youngest child. These friends were formerly parishoners of Mr. H., and the visit was a very pleasant one. Mrs. McA., with all her family, had been down to the Services of the night before, and had driven back in a violent rain with them all in the open farm-wagon. And, with the same energy, they were all with us the next day at Winfield. In the afternoon we went on again in the rain twelve miles to Winfield, where we were entertained at the house of Mr. R. E. Wallis, recently from Maryland. Here we found several of our people, quite enough to organize a congregation, if we had the means to send a Missionary and to help them build a church.

On Sunday, May 13th, we held Services morning and night in the court house which was occupied by the Presbyterians, and which they kindly vacated for us. They and the Methodists are soon to move into new and beautiful buildings just being completed, and which for their size and beauty are certainly a great credit to their town. The large court room was filled in the morning, and at night crowded. We shall expect to hear again from Winfield.

Sunday night and Monday forenoon the rains again fell without intermission. We had gone beyond the rocky range, and stretching far westward from us, lay the western third of Cowley county and all of Sumner county and the southern plains of the Arkansas valley with their rich rolling prairies and fat agricultural lands, where every quarter section is capable of cultivation. It

On Thursday morning we pushed off again, at an early hour, over the rocky and rough-washed divides and the soaked bottoms and the swollen streams, and after a long day's drive of nearly forty miles we reached Independence about 6 P. M.

It was a very interesting trip, in spite of the disagreeable things in it. And I make a somewhat full record of it here, not because it is of much importance in itself, or any more difficult or venturesome than those which men often make for their mere worldly interests, but that it may be thought worth reading by my successors, as an interesting memorandum, when all this country shall have fine roads, and good safe bridges, and be checkered by railroad lines from one end of it to the other. Such memoranda will enable those, who by and by shall be working upon the rising walls of the glorious temple of God, to understand the efforts of those earlier workmen, who in a less conspicuous sphere have toiled upon its essential foundations. But everywhere we see the opportunities. How shall we meet them? God help us!

On the morning of Friday, May 18th, at 5:30 o'clock, I parted from my clerical companion of the last two weeks, and went to Parsons, in Labette county, where, in the evening, at St. John's Memorial Church, I preached, and confirmed two (2) persons. I here also licensed a lay reader. This mission seems now to have taken form as one of our settled parishes, and under the charge of its faithful Rector has the promise of growth and efficiency.

On the next day, at noon, we went over to Osage Mission, Neosho county, where in the evening I preached and confirmed one (1) person in St. Peter's Church. After the Service and an hour or two with the excellent and faithful warden and his family, I went up to the depot, and threw myself down on a canvass in the freight

house, where I was protected from a severe thunder storm, and in the course of the night went on to Fort Scott, which I reached after daylight on the following morning.

It was Whitsunday, May 20th, and in the forenoon I attended the Sunday School and addressed it, and after the Service preached. In the evening I made an address, and confirmed two (2) persons.

On Monday morning, at 3 o'clock, I was again wakened and at 4 was in the cars for Kansas City, where at 11:30 I was transferred to the Kansas Pacific Railway, bound to Salina. The waters were very high, and at Lawrence we were stopped by a break in the road. The Superintendent was on the train, and there occurred one of those remarkable combinations possible only by railroads and telegraphs—making arrangements through three hundred miles and over four different roads, collecting locomotives and coaches, summoning engineers and other operatives, clearing the tracks, &c., for a roundabout trip to avoid the breaks. We were taken by the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad, over the Kaw bridge some distance, then up the Lawrence & Carbondale Railroad to Carbondale, thence down the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad to Emporia, thence up the Neosho valley on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad to Junction City, where we again struck the Kansas Pacific at 6 the next morning. By this long circle we reached Salina at 9:30 on Tuesday morning.

That evening, May 22d, we held Services at Christ Church, Salina, and I made an address, and confirmed five (5) persons, which number added to that of those previously confirmed makes thirty (30) since last December in this parish, more than doubling the sum total of communicants. The venerable Rector, Mr. Dooley, is

entitled to commendation for his pastoral fidelity as well as congratulation for the Divine blessing upon it.

On the evening of the next day, Wednesday, May 23d, I was at Wamego in Pottawatomie county, where I preached in the Presbyterian Church. Before the Service I visited the few families of our people, and after Service met several of our people and other friends at the house of my kind host, J. L. Browne, Esq. If times revive, we may hope that St. Luke's will in due course be revived with them.

The next day I retraced my steps to Manhattan, where in the evening, May 24th, I made an address in St. Paul's Church, and confirmed three (3) persons.

On the day following, Friday, May 25th, I went to Lawrence, where in Trinity Church in the evening, I addressed the people, and confirmed ten (10) persons, making seventeen (17) confirmed in this parish during the present spring. So joys and thanksgivings blend with trials and prayers in the history of this parish, and the hard work of the Rector under some discouragements brings its reward. May the Holy Spirit ever be with them!

On Saturday afternoon I returned to Topeka, after nearly four weeks' continuous absence, having twice gone by it in that time without being able to stop, and found a few hours of comparative quiet in my study very acceptable.

Trinity Sunday, May 27th, I spent at Topeka, where at Grace Church in the morning I made an address, confirmed one (1) person and administered the Holy Communion. The evening of that day gave me the delightful rest of worshipping in our College chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary, and of giving some words of paternal counsel to the dear daughters who are gathered within its walls.

I had intended to start on Monday of this week for Marshall county, but deferred my trip one day most gladly, in consequence of a letter received from Bishop Robertson of Missouri, who was at Kansas City on Sunday, that he would come up and visit our College. By an unfortunate rearrangement of the trains, he did not arrive on Monday, but reached us, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Duncan of Grace Church, Kansas City, on Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock, and spent that forenoon with us, inspecting the Institution, attending the Morning Prayers, and addressing the pupils. His visit was most cordial, most profitable, and most welcome. It is the third time only in our history, that a Bishop of the church outside of our own diocese, has ever looked at our work. The other cases were those of Bishop Clarkson of Nebraska, some six or seven years ago, and of Bishop Spalding of Colorado, three years ago. Other Bishops and many distinguished Presbyters have gone through our city on their way to the mountains of Colorado, but none other have ever deemed our work worthy of recognition. So we labor on in our silence and in our obscurity, knowing that the future will vindicate our toil.

On Tuesday noon, Bishop Robertson, with his companion and Presbyter, and myself, went together to the depot, they taking the train for Kansas City and St. Louis, and I taking that for Atchison.

On Wednesday, May 30th, I spent ten hours on a freight train, getting to Blue Rapids in Marshall county, in time for a Service in the evening and a sermon in the Methodist Church. The Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county, who met me at the depot, was with me, and accompanied me in my further visits on his circuit. As in all my previous visits to Marshall county, I was in the midst of a violent storm. That evening for several hours, one incessant glare of lightning illuminated the

country, and our congregation was necessarily small; yet among the attendants was one family who came in a farm wagon seven miles, and one other devout church woman who walked four miles to be present. That night one of the most violent thunder storms of the season passed over us, deluging the region and raising the rivers to nearly their highest marked elevation.

On the following morning, Thursday, May 31st, we were obliged to drive twelve miles, part of the way in heavy showers, to our appointment at Zion Church in Centre township, where we found a full congregation and where I preached and confirmed seven (7) persons, some of whom came over the wet prairie seven or eight miles. Two (2) infants were baptized by the Rector.

From the church, after shaking hands with the people, and stopping a few minutes for a lunch at the home of one of them, we drove thirteen miles to Irving, where in the evening we held Service at the Presbyterian Church, the Rector baptizing one (1) adult, and where I preached and confirmed four (4) persons. There seems to be a reviving in this whole Mission.

Friday, June 1st, I was at Netawaka, Jackson county, where in the afternoon I visited several of the parishioners at their homes. You will notice, my brethren, from this and my previous addresses, that my work is almost as much pastoral as it is episcopal, my visits in the houses of our people running up to many scores or hundreds in the course of the year. I do not complain of the additional fatigue both of mind and body, for it is a very necessary and useful work, and almost an essential part of Episcopal duty in a new country like our own.

At 6. P. M., the Rev. George Turner, Missionary at Netawaka arrived, having been detained by the high waters, and in the evening we had the Service in St. John's

, when I preached. On Saturday I went to Atch-

lay, June 3d, I made a second visitation at Atch-
here, at Trinity Church, I preached in the morn-
I administered the Holy Communion, and in the
on made an address and confirmed four (4) per-
The whole number confirmed in this parish during
is twenty-three (23.) The church has been greatly
ed by the setting up within it of a very superior
ge pipe organ and the necessary enlargement and
tment of the Chancel consequent thereupon. The
seems in a quite prosperous condition, and the
labor of the zealous Rector is finding its suitable

May the Holy Spirit be with him!

Rev. John L. Gay, Rector of St. John's Memorial
, Parsons, Labette county, and of St. Peter's Church,
Mission, Neosho county, was received into this dio-
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the Rev. James Hervey Lee, who had tempora-
us for southern Ohio, his letters dismissory from
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re letters dismissory to the Rev. John Bakewell,
or Bishop Scarborough, of New Jersey, on Friday,
h, which were accepted by him on May 26th ult.
th extreme regret that I lose from the list of our
name so much endeared to me by affectionate
l relations, and which recalls so much of valuable
the Diocese. May the Divine blessing be with
his new field, as the Rector of St. Paul's Church,
h, in the Diocese of New Jersey! I have also
etters dismissory to the Rev. Thomas Betts, late
ul's Church, Wyandotte, now Rector of the church

at Rulo, Nebraska, transferred to the jurisdiction of Bishop Clarkson on Easter Monday last, and accepted by him. We are very sorry to lose him.

Two ordinations have been held in the Diocese during the past year, that of the Rev. Charles Stettler Daniels, priest, on July 6th, 1876; and of Reese P. Kendall, M.D., deacon, on the 9th of the same month. Mr. Kendall is now officiating in Illinois with my consent.

Three (3) churches have been consecrated. One hundred and forty-five (145) persons have been confirmed. I have never before counted up the miles I have journeyed in the course of the year; but for curiosity, and not as regarding them as any fair index of the work performed, I have counted them for this year, and find them to foot up 12,021 miles.

Mr. Nicholas William Heath, a candidate for holy orders, having passed satisfactory examinations as to his "literary qualifications," was received as a candidate for priest's orders on the 15th of March last. He is now pursuing his studies under the instruction of Professor Loring at our Kansas Theological School.

Those who have followed me in this narrative of my Episcopal work, will have observed that the condition of the Diocese is much more encouraging than it has been for several years past. The great depression seems to have been removed. There is more of life and hopefulness, more of tendency towards the formation of new parishes, and in those already formed towards parochial growth. Nearly twice as many persons have been confirmed as in any one of the three previous years. There has been greater readiness in the acknowledgment of parish and diocesan obligations. Several churches have been consecrated. Some of the unfinished churches have been finished. Some of the older churches have improved. There has been a diminution of debt in the two or three

parishes which were involved; and a disposition has been matured in all to keep out of debt. Salaries have been more promptly and honestly paid. The collections for missionary and charitable purposes have been considerably enlarged. All these things are of the fruits of the Spirit, and show an increase of grace and of God's blessing.

I have at some previous conventions spoken of the important place which Confirmation should hold in the estimation of every pastor, in its relation to his whole ministerial work. My experience in my oversight of a diocese has long shown me that the *general* success of a parish minister is indicated by the confirmations. There may be occasions, when from peculiar circumstances he may have but few candidates, without any reflection upon his fidelity or his usefulness. But, as the general rule, and excepting parishes peculiarly constituted with very few elements for classes, and excepting special circumstances which sometimes modify a clergyman's influence, the list of candidates for a course of years is a tolerably fair measure of a clergyman's success. The bringing of souls to the open confession of Christ is the final summing up of the result of the preaching and the personal teaching and the pastoral watchfulness of the shepherd of souls. Now this gathering up of these results is oftentimes lost by the lack of system *in keeping a class always in training*. Some clergymen defer or neglect this matter of training, until they receive notice of the day fixed for the Episcopal Visitation. In this way the preparation of candidates is hurried, and many who might have been led to the great confession, if more time and opportunity had been allowed for reflection and for personal conference and prayer, and for the resolving of doubts and of difficulties, are deterred, until perhaps serious impressions pass away, or new conditions and circum-

stances remove them from the pastor's care, or lead them elsewhere, or shut the great subject of religious obligation away from their attention. Indeed, the case is not altogether rare or exceptional, where the Bishop on arriving at a parish, finds the Rector just fairly awake to the preparation of candidates, in the midst of his visitations and conferences, and possibly needing some help from the Bishop on the very day appointed for the confirmation, realizing too late, that if he had begun earlier he would have accomplished more, or regretting that the Episcopal visitation could not have been postponed to correspond with the postponement of his duty. Why wait until the Bishop notifies his next visitation? What has such a notice to do with a pastor's duty?

The preparation of candidates is in two ways—public lectures or instruction to the class, and private inquiry, examination, exhortation, instruction and prayer with the members of the class individually at their own homes or in the study of the pastor. Both of these methods should be used in the preparation of every class. And they can not be effective when circumscribed within the two, three or four weeks immediately preceding the Bishop's visitation. The only really effective and sufficient plan is to keep the matter in view through all the year, and thus to keep a class always in training. When the Bishop leaves you on the morrow, then immediately, if you have not already anticipated the doing so, begin to make a list of the names for the next class, and begin also to work for them and at them. So you will always have a class ready or preparing to be ready, and as each year rolls round you will be gathering your sheaves for the final harvest of glory. I trust my brethren will excuse these hints, and that they may induce such a systematic training of candidates for confirmation, as will accomplish most for the glory of God, the extension of

the church, and the saving of souls. Let these three motives be our continual inspiration.

It is expected, I presume, that something will be said explicitly about our Educational Institutions. These are certainly connected with our most essential interests. The ministry must be properly trained, in order to be useful. In this fact our Theological School finds its apology and its justification. True Christianity seeks the mental elevation and spiritual advancement of all whom it can reach; and thus especially the young are to be the subjects of its especial watch and care. In this fact our College of the Sisters of Bethany finds a generous approval. They both come from the genius of Christianity, and commend themselves to our Christian regard and support.

Our Theological School is organized with the Rev. H. H. Loring in general charge as Professor, and is prepared to do its good work. We need only the men who long to serve God in the ministry. And the clergy and laity should all be looking up such faithful men. With the excellent building, the convenient rooms, the well-stocked library, the many facilities, the able professor, the only present need is that of students. Remember this, my brethren, and send us the men.

The College for Girls has just passed through perhaps its most successful year. The number of boarding and of local pupils has been very encouraging; the discipline has been admirable, and the general results have been very satisfactory. A large patronage is highly desirable; and with this in our hope we are waiting anxiously for better times, that the Institution may become entirely self supporting. Brethren we want your kind aid and co-operation to secure for this valuable Institution the good will and sustaining championship of all our fellow citizens in this far western state and country.

Turning now from Diocesan matters to those of more general interest, I record, first of all, the death of the Reverend Doctor Muhlenberg, canonically of the diocese of New York, but personally, in his interests and influence, intimately connected with all our dioceses and with the whole Catholic Church, as one of the best expositors of the Communion of Saints, and one of the most thorough and enthusiastic representatives of the universal kingdom of our dear Lord. To me, as one honored with his friendship, it is a great loss, for I shall miss the smile which he always gave to me, and the blessing which he always sent to those whom he dearly loved in my home. How precious his sympathy was to me in my work for my diocese, how valuable his kindly suggestions, how tender his personal care of me in some weeks of serious sickness at St. Luke's, how touching his confidence, how genial and inspiring his society, how wide and tolerant his churchliness, how far reaching his wisdom, how fervent, true and all-embracing his charity! I cannot enlarge upon these things if I would. He stands henceforward in history, a grand example, to guide churchmen, to animate christians, to direct philanthropists, to train and educate the church in her divine work of benevolence and self-denial and labor for the new creation of the world in the spirit and likeness of Christ the Lord.

And, as I speak of his death, I sympathize most deeply, as all who knew him do, with the sorrow of that pure-hearted and noble-hearted woman, our "sister Annie," who was for so many years his "fellow-worker unto the kingdom of God," who ministered to the necessities of his declining years; who watched over him as a loving daughter in his old age and to the end of his protracted life; who, devoted in her hospital work to the afflicted and suffering, to the sick and dying, yet always found

time to provide for the comfort of her aged father in God; and whose only consolation in his removal is that he "sleeps in Jesus," and that there is reserved for her and for all the people of God with him an everlasting rest in the Heavenly Home.

I may properly note, as another matter of general interest, the decease during the past year of the Rev. Dr. Richard B. Duane, the late Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions. Full of earnestness and efficiency, he fulfilled a noble work during the brief period while he held the office, and "his works do follow him."

I may also allude to the decease, during the past year, of the Rev. Dr. Jacob L. Clark and the Rev. Dr. Robert A. Hallam, both of Connecticut, two of my brethren, long known and long loved from my college and seminary days, and whose places it will be hard to fill in their Diocese or in the church at large. I keenly feel the teaching which these changes bring—these mementoes of our mortality and of the sure approach of death—these summonses to renewed zeal and to a more vigorous discharge of duty in the time that remains.

It is a very unusual, but a very welcome privilege, for me to say that no death has occurred in the House of Bishops during the last conventional year.

One Diocesan Bishop has been added to the number, by the ordination and consecration of the Rt. Rev. Wm. Stevens Perry, D. D., L. L. D., on September 10th of last year, as Bishop of Iowa; and one Foreign Missionary Bishop, the Rt. Rev. C. Clifton Penick, for Cape Palmas and parts adjacent in Africa.

I have to record, as it is my painful duty year by year in similar cases, the deposition from the ministry under our canons, during the last conventional year, of fifteen clergymen, as follows:

By Bishop Spalding, of Colorado, the Rev. William J. Lynd, presbyter. By Bishop Howe, of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. John R. Furey, deacon. By Bishop Perry, of Iowa, the Rev. Wm. Thomas Campbell, deacon; the Rev. Robert Trewartha, deacon; the Rev. Gideon D. Simmons, deacon; the Rev. Alonzo M. May, presbyter. By Bishop Jaggard, of Southern Ohio, the Rev. J. Godfrey Jones, presbyter. By Bishop Gillespie, of Western Michigan, the Rev. Isaiah J. Babcock, deacon. By Bishop Paddock, of Massachusetts, the Rev. Wm. Alfred Jenks, presbyter. By Bishop Gregg, of Texas, the Rev. J. E. Swancoat, deacon; the Rev. Henry J. Brown, presbyter. By Bishop Talbot, of Indiana, the Rev. John Flanagan, deacon. By Bishop Atkinson, of North Carolina, the Rev. Wm. T. Helm, presbyter. By Bishop Kerfoot, of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Perceval Beckett, presbyter; the Rev. Benj. S. Seymour, deacon.

I have received, also, with the other Bishops, a warning from the Bishop of Quebec against the Rev. Charles Thorp, who "has absconded from his mission with circumstances of scandal rendering him liable to trial under the canons of the Diocese of Quebec."

I have, also, as one of the five Bishops, under Title 2, Canon 11, Section II, given my "consent and approval" to the remission, by the Bishop of Iowa, of the sentence of deposition in the case of the Rev. Daniel Faloona Hutchinson, now of the Diocese of Toronto, Canada, and his consequent restoration to the ministry.

There is a subject, upon which it may be well that the Convention should express an opinion. At the General Convention three years ago, the Revision of the Lectionary was considerably discussed in both Houses. Our present calendar was arranged at a time when Bibles were few and very costly, and when the masses of the people, large numbers of whom could not read, were

the history and teachings of the Scriptures, as they read in their order publicly in the church. Times changed. Now nearly everybody can read, or are in way of learning to read. Bibles are no longer costly; are numerous, and by the aid of the great Bible societies are circulated in all families. It is very desirable now, that the readings of Holy Scripture should be directed with special reference to the more full illustration of the great doctrines which are taught in the holy days and commemorative seasons of the ecclesiastical year. It would be still better, and would meet a real—need, a vital—necessity of the age, if our Liturgical services could be also modified by a much larger liberty of adaptation to the special spirit and leading idea of each of the festivals and fasts as they recur in the church's annual course; and if, instead of compiling a later Service out of the limited phraseology of our always stereotyped Manual of Devotion, we could draw a variety of forms in prayer and praise and collect and thanksgiving for all the conditions of these, the "latter days" of the church, from the rich store-house of the Inspired Scriptures and from the accumulated treasures of wisdom and experience in the vast liturgical literature of all the past. I must act, as you deem best, on the topic here presented.

When other constitutional changes were proposed in our General Convention at its last session in my judgment more open to differences of opinion. They are before you, as reported in our last annual Journal, if you think it best to consider them, or to make any suggestions to your deputies. Perhaps it will be as judicious to leave these matters to the discretion of your deputies, and to reserve the aspects in which they may be finally discussed. I cannot close without a reference to our missionary operations. We must never forget then—to our General

Missions at home and abroad, and to our own Diocesan Missions. There has never been a year, in which missionary straits have been so urgent, perhaps never a year in which our people at large have been called to an equal degree of faith and sincere self-examination and fervent prayer. I think too, there has been a train in self-denial, and a willingness to make sacrifices for Christ's sake and the Gospel's which indicate a growth in Grace and in the following after Christ, such as are to be desired and expected in a true church of the suffering and sacrificing Lord. These very trials may prove our greatest blessings. If they lead us to realize the necessity of self-exertion, to see the importance of the missionary work and our own solemn responsibilities in reference to it; if they lead us to self-denials, to give as God has prospered us, and to give out of our poverty as well as out of our wealth, until we feel that we are really making some sacrifices for Him who died for us, then such an effect of our trial will be our richest blessing. I believe that such an effect has been in part accomplished in us, for there has been more of systematic giving, more continued and constant giving, not spasmodic but upon principle, and more general giving than we have ever known before. But it must be kept up, zeal must not be allowed to die, this systematizing must not be suspended. We must hold the subject without faltering before our people. They must be made always to remember that Jesus died for us, and that we owe to him what we can do to him, and that the measure of our Christian character is in these gifts of sacrifice for Him. And we must devise methods for collecting moneys, and see that they are operated. The clergy must be ready, each of us to be an agent for our Domestic Committee, or for our Church Missionary Society, or for our Foreign Committee or for our Diocesan Missions. May we think of

precious Blood of Christ shed for us, and of the value of immortal souls whom He has redeemed. And may we be so conscientious and so faithful, and so "ready to give and glad to distribute," that He may give to each one of us a commendation like which He gave to the woman who poured the precious ointment upon Him, when He said: "*She hath done what she could.*" If we can reach this commendation, then the treasures of the Church will be filled, then the world will be converted unto Christ,

"And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest."—Hv. 202

NOTE TO ADDRESS.

In the course of the Convention a very interesting discussion of the subject of Temperance came up. A committee was appointed to prepare and present to the Convention appropriate resolutions. Two sets of resolutions were presented, each touching substantially the same points, but varying somewhat in phraseology. Both were in the main approved; and they were referred to the Bishop with the request that he would combine and arrange them as one report, and as expressing the sentiment of the members of the Convention. He was also requested to add to his annual address a note calling the attention of the Diocese to the subject.

How shall those now intemperate be reclaimed? How shall those now temperate be kept safe? These questions are evidently acquiring an increasing importance in the judgment of thinking people, even of those who in previous years have regarded the discussion as belonging not so much to the domain of practicability and reason, as of enthusiasm or even of fanaticism. But it is seen

that drunkenness is becoming alarmingly fatal to great multitudes of our people; that no class, nor trade, nor profession is exempt from the prevailing danger, and that large numbers of even baptized members and communicants in the church of Christ are becoming involved in the spreading ruin. The church Congress, which met at Boston in the last autumn, ably considered the topic. The Bishops of Long Island, of western Michigan, of Pennsylvania, and of Central New York, and other Bishops, have brought the question before their Conventions.

Thousands of the gifted and otherwise noble and valuable members of society, many of them professing disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, are annually passing into moral and spiritual death, as well as destroying physical health and life, under the seductive power of this sin of intemperance. There seems to be no hope but in rightly directing the minds of the young and of all those in whom the demon appetite has not been formed. Those who are now safe must be educated in the principle, that indulgence in the use of intoxicating drinks *as a beverage, as a mere indulgence*, and without reference to sanitary or hygienic considerations of utility, is wrong and ought to be discouraged. The dangerous appetite and the habit of excess are created by such indulgence. And when once the morbid and quasi-insane appetite has been really produced, then there is no possible escape except by the special power of the grace of God.

In conversation some weeks ago, with a layman, who had long studied this temperance question, he remarked that the statistics had proved one fact in this field of investigation as incontrovertibly as any other fact in experience or in nature—namely, that the only hope of success lies in *prevention and not in reform*. For the last forty years the effort has been to reform the intemperate. Yet

notwithstanding the temporary and apparent triumphs of the Washingtonian and other similar movements, the statistics of this long course of years prove, that *permanent reform* of those who have acquired the appetite and habit of intemperance *can not be expected* as a reliable result. As the general rule, based upon statistics, those who have learned the habit must be counted as lost—for them, with very few exceptions, there is no hope—in any numerical calculation in the matter, that whole generation is to be estimated as lost, for time, for eternity. I shuddered as I heard his statement. It is the saddest and most awful induction from this inexorable logic of statistics. And the one lesson is, *you must prevent where you cannot cure, you must forestall where you cannot save.*

If I cannot deny this law which the figures indicate, God's grace may modify it for those who are sincerely willing, and His grace alone. Here and there is the solitary case of one rescued by the grace of God. *Exceptio probat regulam.* Where once that habit is formed and that appetite fairly developed, there is but one possibility of permanent reform, namely, *total abstinence, never departed from, even conditionally to save life, and this with all the helps of the Holy Spirit.* Better to die once, sober and with a hope of heaven, than to run the risk of dying forevermore. In an experience of some forty years in the ministry, I have never met personally with but two or three cases of such real reform. And in those cases it was a blessed day when God took them to save them in another world from a temptation which in this world stands always waiting, sleepless, for such, and sleepless watching for its first opportunity to destroy. When that habit is once fixed like a vampyre upon the soul, the moral powers are weakened, the victim learns to deceive, perhaps others, certainly himself. He knows his peril, but like the moth near the flame, he is fascinated by it;

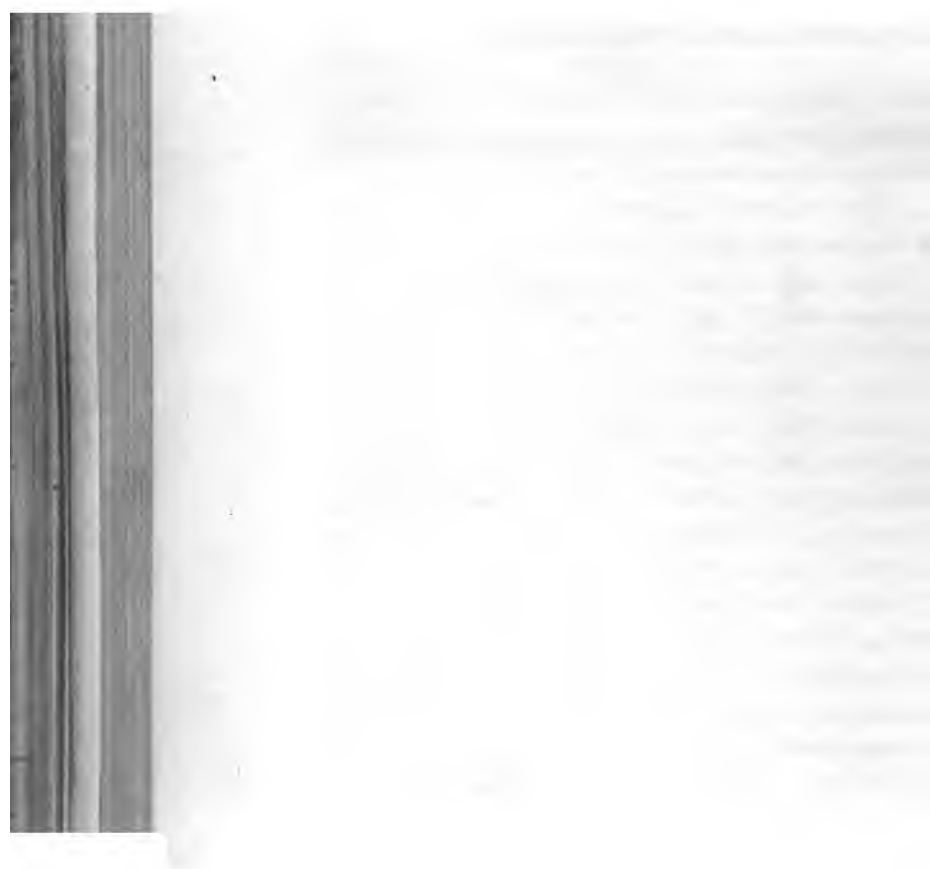
he goes on struggling, tries to escape the cup, partially or for a time succeeds, then makes an excuse in his self-deception to return; then comes again, each time a little nearer, till he feels the burning, then flees and comes again, and then at last drops into the flame and the gulf of flame. This is experience—this is the law of figures that cannot lie—this is the inexorable logic of the statistics.

Yet there is only one other law which is mightier—the law of the grace of God. Only the Holy Spirit, for those who are willing, can answer and subvert this inexorable logic. God can save, if the man will.

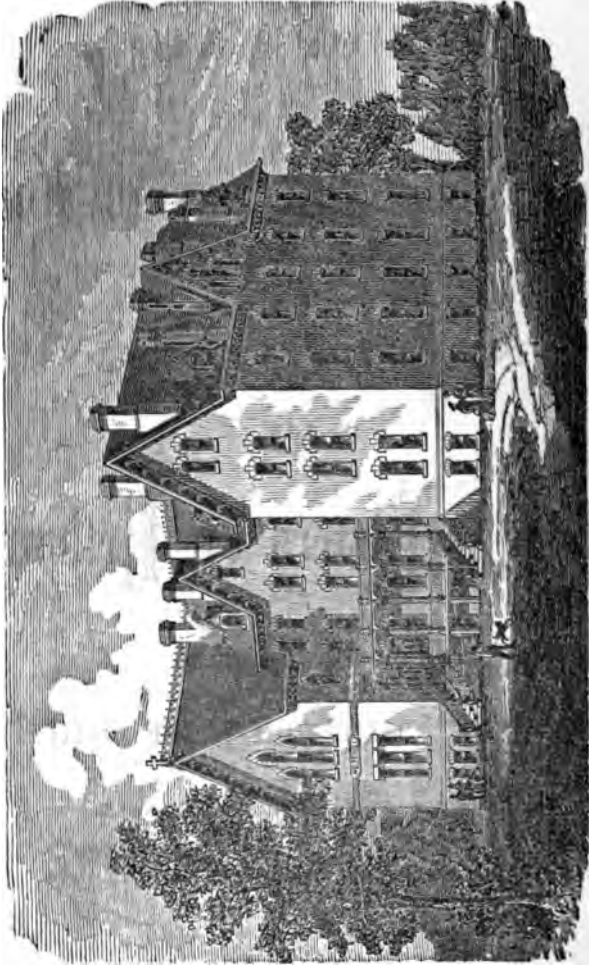
The strong as well as the weak, the learned as well as the ignorant, persons of all classes and conditions and privileges, have fallen together. There are in this Diocese, as in others, persons in every other respect noble, generous, intelligent, conscientious, even communicants with whom we have knelt at the Holy Table, suffering under the terrors and upbraidings of conscience, struggling every day and every month, resolving and failing, self-deceivers, never totally abstaining, proposing to use their temptation moderately, which they know they cannot do, excusing, then repenting, then inevitably falling, a little lower every time, and soon, if they so continue, to meet the drunkard's death and the drunkard's eternity, under that awful law and logic of the statistics. God's grace, with total abstinence, as in their cases its indispensable condition, may save them. By nothing else, and with no other condition, can they be saved.

To the young, and to those who are not intemperate, we commend the principle presented in the resolutions of the Convention, and printed in the minutes of this Journal, as for themselves the safe rule, as for their influence upon others the useful and the Christian rule—total abstinence from intoxicating drinks as a beverage

and as a mere indulgence. Where there is no use there can be no excess. Where there is no danger there can be no harm. If there be a liberty to use there is certainly a liberty to abstain. And if we are to choose between self-indulgence and self-denial, we must remember that, from love to God and from love to men, the calling of the Christian is to "*bear the cross.*"



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John D. Wolfe, New York.....	\$18,000 00
*Miss C. L. Wolfe, New York.....	6,000 00
William Holmes, Pittsburgh.....	7,500 00
Robert H. Ives, Providence.....	5,400 00
Mrs. C. L. Spencer, New York.....	3,600 00
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ERRATA.

On page 3 of this account, for Mrs. Mary H. Brunot, \$500.00, read \$500.00.
 On page 4, top line, Ladies' Missionary Society, &c., for \$300.00 read \$200.00.
 On page 4 of this account, foot, amount carried forward should be \$78,400.00.
 On page 5 of this account, top, amount brought forward should be \$78,400.00.
 On page 5 of this account, for Wm. H. Vanderbilt, \$50.00, read \$50.00.
 On page 5 of this account, foot, amount carried forward should be \$84,592.85.
 On page 6 of this account, top, amount brought forward should be \$84,592.85.
 On page 6 of this account, donation per Rev. C. E. McIlvaine, &c., should be \$72.43.
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Miss Louisa Beard, Pittsburgh.....	400 00
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Rev. Arch. M. Morrison, Philadelphia.....	250 00
E. H. Butler, Philadelphia.....	250 00
John B. Jackson and sisters, Pittsburgh.....	250 00
John Carter Brown, Providence.....	250 00
Amount Carried Forward.....	\$71,775 00

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Mrs. Lucy Shober, Philadelphia.....	1
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Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Van Voorhis, New York.....	1
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Mrs. John P. Bakewell, Pittsburgh.....	1
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Charles H. Wood, Pittsburgh.....	1
Miss Elizabeth James, Boston.....	1
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Mrs. Lemuel Crehore, Boston.....	1
Nathaniel Walker, Boston.....	1
Edward H. Sampson, Boston.....	1
J. M. Beebe, Boston.....	1
Wm. R. Lawrence, M. D., Boston.....	1
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Sunday School fund of the Church of the Covenant, Philadelphia.....	50 00
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<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$84.
Donation per the Rev. A. P. Stryker, Baltimore.....	
Donation per the Rev. Dr. Houghton, Church of the Transfiguration, New York..	
Donation per the Rev. C. E. McIlvaine, Christmas offering, Sunday School of St. John's Church, Norristown, Pa.....	
Donation per Lemuel Coffin, Esq., an Easter offering, Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.....	
Donation per the Rev. W. B. Morrow, Thanksgiving offering, St. Stephen's Church, Milburn, N. J.....	
Donation per the Rev. S. E. Appleton, Missionary Society, Church of the Me- diator, Philadelphia.....	
Donation per the Rev. Dr. Babcock (Wm. R.), Missionary offering, St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain, Mass.....	
Donation per the Rev. A. B. Carter, Easter offering, Church of the Holy Saviour, New York.....	
Collections or parts of collections from the following churches: Trinity Church, Washington; St. John's Church, Norristown; St. Mark's Church, Frank- ford; St. Mark's, St. Luke's, Epiphany, St. Stephen's, Trinity Chapel, Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia; Christ Church, Germantown; St. John's, and Christ Church, Elizabeth; St. John's, Yonkers; Church of the Heavenly Rest, of the Incarnation, of the Holy Communion, of the Ascension, Calvary Church, and Chapel of St. Luke's Hospital, New York; St. Thomas' and St. John's, Taunton; St. James', Boston High- lands; St. Paul's, Brookline; St. Paul's College, Concord; St. James', New London; Church of the Reformation, and Christ Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; St. Peter's, Baltimore; Holy Trinity, New York; Holy Trinity, Philadelphia; Christ Church, Chustiana Hundred, Del.; Christ Church, Bay Ridge, L. I.; Pelham Priory, N. Y., and from other sources.....	2.
Donation from Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, a balance of some funds left in his hands, subject to his discretion, about two-thirds of the gift ap- plied by me on this account.....	

\$86.

EXPENDITURES.

Architect's elevations and working plans, and percentage of Superintendent....	\$1.
Fees of lawyers, securing titles of lots, redeeming tax titles other taxes, insur- ances, &c., as per details in account.....	2.
Cost of collections, printing, photographing, electrotyping, traveling, &c.....	
Interest on loans, while waiting for funds, during the progress of the work.....	
Additional attachments, or extras, necessary to the suitable use of the buildings, as wind wheel, plumbing, elevator, furnaces, stoves, lightning rods, gas piping, range, speaking tubes, &c.....	8.
Besides the above, some furnishings, as bedsteads, mattresses, pianos, organs, pillows, blankets, sheeting, table linen, bureaus, wash stands, chairs, crockery, knives and forks, spoons, some carpeting, etc.....	2
Work on grounds, levelling, fencing, trees and tree planting, some walls, out- houses, carriage ways, foot walks, &c.....	2
The entire cost of the buildings, college with chapel, stone laundry with domes- tics' dormitories, stone barn, &c., &c.....	66
Total.....	\$81

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALLEN COUNTY.

Emmanuel Mission, Humboldt, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

Families, 11.

Baptisms: Infants, 3.

Communions, 1.

Public services: On Sundays, 7.

Communicants: Present number, males, 1; females, 10; total, 11.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses..... \$60 00

Objects without the parish:

Diocesan Missions..... \$1 25

Personal gift to the Bishop..... 15 00

16 25

Total of contributions..... \$76 25

General Missionary Work, by Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

At Neodesha, Wilson county—

Services on Sunday, 18; on other days, 4.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2.

Confirmations, 1.

Communions, 1.

Collections for Diocesan Missions, \$1.25.

A good church lot, large enough for church and parsonage..

Families, 5. Congregations, from 20 to 70.

Missionary's salary, about \$70, paid.

At Coffeyville, Montgomery county—

Services on Sunday, 6.

Baptisms: Infants (by Bishop), 8; adults (by Rev. L. L. Holden), 1.

Families, 10.

Confirmations, 1.

Communicants: Present number, males, 1; females, 4; total, 5:

Minister's salary, \$30.

Congregations, 60.

At Liberty, Montgomery county—

Services on week day evenings, 8.

Families, 3.

One candidate for confirmation unable to be at Independence at the time of Bishop's visit.

Congregations, 40.

I have also held one Service at Elk City, in Elk county, and one at Longton, Elk county, with good congregations. Found several families desirous of church services at Elk City. Was providentially prevented filling two appointments there. Have one family, husband and wife, communicants, at Longton.

While on a visit with the Bishop in Cowley county, I baptised one infant in the county, about six miles north of Arkansas City. Mother and grandmother communicants in the church. Was with and assisted the Bishop on Ascension Day at Cedar Vale, and the Sunday following at Winfield, Cowley county.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Atchison, Rev. FRANK O. OSBORNE, Rector.

Families, 70. Congregation, 325.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 7; total, 26.

Confirmed, 23. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6.

Public services: On Sundays, 125; on holy days, 36; on other days, 59; total, 220.

Communions, 29.

Communicants: Last reported, 65; admitted, 23; added by removal, 8; lost by removal, 9; died, 1; present number, male, 16; female, 70; total, 86.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 6; female, 12; scholars, male, 53; female, 64; total, 135.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures.....	\$963 15
Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	1,497 00
Communion alms (not otherwise reported).....	79 75
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$2,539 90

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$37 50
Convention assessment.....	45 00
Diocesan Missions.....	87 04
Christmas fund.....	5 10
Total for Diocesan objects.....	174 64

For general objects:

Domestic Missions.....	\$3 15
Foreign Missions.....	5 00
Indian Missions.....	3 15
Home Missions to colored people.....	3 15
Education of theological students.....	5 00
"Relief fund" Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.....	5 55
Total for general objects.....	25 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings.....\$2,739 54

Source of the above, indicated as follows:

Pew Rents, etc.....	\$1,371 19
The offertory.....	403 41
Special subscriptions.....	439 94
Ladies Society for the year and not before reported.....	525 00

Condition of Parish: Value of church property, church lot, \$1,500; church, \$15,000; Rectory, \$1,500; total, \$18,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200. Sunday school library, 278 volumes.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, Rev. DANIEL W. COXE, Rector.

Families, 58. Congregation, 158. Inhabitants, 6,000.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; Adults 6; total, 8.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11.

Public Services: On Sundays, 76; on holy days, 8; on other days, 32; total, 116.

Communions, 15.

Communicants: Last reported, 60; admitted, 5; added by removal, 12; lost by removal, 13; died, 1; present number, male, 14; female, 49; total, 63.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 7; female, 7; scholars, male, 70; female, 86; total, 170.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$011 31
Communion alms.....	41 65
Balance on old note and for vestry room.....	87 43
Paid on new note.....	140 52
Sidewalk assessments.....	80 60
Repairs on parsonage, and sundries.....	35 75
Total for parochial objects.....	\$1,297 26

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$32 00
Convention assessment.....	30 00
Diocesan missions.....	21 20

Total for diocesan objects..... \$83 20

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$4 00
Foreign missions.....	3 50
Education of theological students.....	5 00

Total for general objects..... \$12 50

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$1,392 96

Source of the above, indicated as follows:

Pew rents.....	\$700 00
Regular subscriptions.....	145 00
The offertory.....	285 96
Special subscriptions.....	325 00
Ladies' society.....	182 00

Condition of Parish: Value of church property, church lots, \$1,000; church, \$6,000; rectory, \$2,200; total, \$9,200. Floating debt, \$125. Salary pledged to Rector, \$775; arrears of salary unpaid, \$350. Parish library, 19 volumes; Sunday School library, 100 volumes.

I have officiated at Nevada, Mo., 10 times, administered the Holy Communion 3 times, and the rite of baptism 2; at Sedalia, Mo., officiated 4 times; at Gallipolis, Ohio, 2; at Washington, D. C., 1; at Philadelphia, Pa., 2; at Brooklyn, N. Y., 2. St. Andrew's Church was consecrated to the service of Almighty God on Tuesday morning, April 10th, 1877.

See report of mission at Girard, Crawford county.

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY.

Cedar Vale Mission, Rev. H. S. ATTWATER, Missionary.

Families, 4. Congregation, variable.

Confirmed, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 5; added by removal, 1; present number, male, 3; female, 3; total, 6.

Offerings—Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$4 50
Diocesan Missions.....	6 06
Total for Diocesan objects.....	\$11 16

For general objects:

Indian Missions.....	\$5 00
Home Missions to colored people.....	5 00
Total for general objects.....	\$10 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$21 16
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The increasing infirmities of the Missionary render his services doubtful and of little value. Could an able Missionary be located here or in this county, I have no doubt he would soon succeed in collecting a congregation and organizing a successful church. The Bishop's visitation on the 9th and 10th of May, was quite a jubilee to the few Episcopalians in this vicinity. He preached both days to respectable and very attentive congregations, many coming quite a distance in a dark night and on bad roads. Ascension Day he administered the Holy Communion and confirmed one person. The impression left on the community was most favorable.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield, Rev. W. H. HICKCOX, Rector.

Families, 22. Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Infants, 10.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3.

Public services: On Sundays, 110; on other days, 11; total, 121.

Communions, 12.

Communicants: Last reported, 41; admitted, 8; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 6; present number, male 19; female, 27; total, 46.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 1; scholars, male, 6; female, 8; total, 18.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of rector and other current expenses.....	\$275 00
Communion alms.....	13 15
Total for parochial objects.....	\$288 15

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$5 00
Convention assessment.....	10 00
Diocesan Missions.....	5 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	20 00

For general objects:

Domestic Missions.....	\$6 00
Total for general objects.....	\$6 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$314 15
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Condition of the parish: Value of church property, church lot, \$150; church, \$700; rectory, \$700; total, \$1,550. Salary pledged to rector, \$200.

The goodness of God has followed us all the year. His blessing has caused the church to take root and grow. May its fruit be abundant to His glory.

COFFEY COUNTY.

Ascension Church, Burlington, Rev. A. BEATTY, officiates occasionally.

Families, 15. Congregation, 45.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; total, 5.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Public services, 10.

Communion, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 42; admitted, 2; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 22; died, 2; present number, male, 5; female, 19; total, 24.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; scholars, male, 20; female, 45; total, 72.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$25 00
Church improvements.....	505 00

Total for parochial objects.....	\$530 00
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Objects within the diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$3 00
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Total for Diocesan objects.....	\$3 00
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Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....	\$523 00
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Condition of parish—Value of church property: church lot, \$300; church, \$2,000.

This parish has had no regular services, except by lay reading. The church building has been greatly improved. A new roof has been put on it, and the interior has been ceiled, the roof being open, and the walls papered. The tower is also finished. It is hoped that there will soon be stated services held here.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, Rev. DANIEL W. COXE, Rector.

Families, 23. Congregation, 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 6.

Confirmed, 12. Burials, 2.

Public services: On Sundays, 24; on other days, 15; total, 39.

Communion, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 21; admitted, 12; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 6; present number, male, 9; female, 21; total, 30.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 3; scholars, male, 24; female 21; total, 52.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of rector and other current expenses.....	\$110 00
Communion alms.....	8 40
Church furniture and other church improvements, donated by the ladies of St. John's Guild.....	74 98
Sunday School.....	10 00

Total for parochial objects.....	\$203 38
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Objects within the Diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$8 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions.....	9 85
Total for Diocesan objects.....	22 85

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$228 23

Source of the above, indicated as follows :

Regular subscriptions.....	\$110 00
The offertory.....	18 25
Special subscriptions.....	22 00
Ladies' society.....	74 98

Condition of the parish: Value of church property, church lots, \$350; church, \$200; total, \$550. Salary pledged to rector, \$250; arrears of salary unpaid, \$135. Sunday school library 40 volumes.

The Rector officiates on the third Sunday of each month. On the other Sundays lay services are conducted by Mr. John F. Messerve, who has officiated since February 24th of this year. St. John's Church was consecrated to the service of Almighty God, on Wednesday morning, April 10th, 1877.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity church, Lawrence, Rev. PAUL ZIEGLER, Rector.

Families, 82. Congregation, 308. Inhabitants, 8,500.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 8; total, 25.

Confirmed, 17. Burials, 11.

Public Services: On Sundays, 94; on holy days, 35; on other days, 99; total, 228.

Communion: Public 36; private, 1; total, 37.

Communicants: Last reported, 130; admitted, 17; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 12; died, 2; dropped, 3; present number, male, 36; female, 100; total, 136.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 7; scholars, male, 37; female, 56; total, 105.

Sunday School of St. Simon the Cyrenian: Teachers, male, 1; female, 3; scholars, male, 12; female, 33; total, 49.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish :

Old building fund debt.....	\$87 00
Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	1,465 07
Communion alms.....	37 56
Sinking fund, including \$100 from the Bishop.....	747 75
Sunday school festivals.....	20 75
Expenses of the choir.....	15 65
By the Sunday School for its own expenses.....	34 64
Miscellaneous gifts to the poor.....	47 00
Gifts to the Rector.....	84 00
Total for parochial objects.....	\$2,549 82

Objects within the diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$58 40
Convention assessment.....	11 85
Diocesan missions.....	24 66
Diocesan missions by the Sunday school.....	10 00
Total for diocesan objects.....	\$104 91

For general objects:	
Christmas fund.....	\$7 05
Domestic Missions.....	3 10
Foreign missions.....	4 90
Indian missions.....	2 10
Centennial thank offering for missions.....	3 45
Centennial relief fund.....	4 83
Society for the conversion of the Jews.....	1 10
N. Y. Bible and Com. Pr. book society.....	4 15
Bp. White prayer book society.....	6 65
Foreign missions by the Sunday school.....	3 50
Mexican missions by the Sunday school.....	3 50
Total for general objects.....	\$44 33
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$2,698 66
Source of the above, indicated as follows:	
Regular subscriptions.....	\$1,133 65
The offertory.....	533 32
Special subscriptions.....	761 15
Ladies' society.....	95 00

Condition of Parish: Value of church property—church lot, \$2,000; church, \$21,000; chapel, \$4,000; rectory, \$3,000; total, \$30,000. Parish debt: funded, \$8,500; floating, \$1,050; total, \$9,550. Arrears of salary unpaid, \$179. Parish library, 40 volumes; Sunday school library, 200 volumes.

The regular income of the parish being insufficient to meet the ordinary expenses in full, has since the first of April, been divided monthly on the following plan: A portion is first set aside to pay the insurance in full; the remainder is then divided *pro rata* between the annual interest fund, reckoned at about \$700, and the Rector, whose nominal salary is \$1,000. Meanwhile the parish is for the most part manifesting a noble spirit under its difficulties, as may be seen from the above report, and with the aid of kind friends in the east has materially lessened its load of debt. The latter contributed \$1,119, not reported above; and it will be seen that \$100 of the amount reported as paid into the sinking fund came from the Bishop. The parish has had no income during the past year except from direct and voluntary offerings. In addition to the above gifts, the Ladies' society aided by the Sunday school, made up a missionary box for one of our Kansas missionaries.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, Rev. PAUL ZIEGLER, Minister in charge.

Inhabitants, 3,600.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; lost by removal, 8; present number, 6.

Contributions: For the Bishop's salary, \$0.

No services have been held at this point during the past year, the minister in charge having been prevented, by pressing home demands, from accepting most urgent invitations to visit this little flock.

HARVEY COUNTY.

St. Matthew's Church, Newton, Rev. A. BEATTY, Rector.

Families, 7. Congregation, 30.

Baptisms: Infants, 1.

Confirmed, 1.

Public services, 17.

Communion, 2.

Communicants, 8.

Offerings—Objects within the parish :

Salary of rector and other current expenses.....	\$ 45 00
For building church.....	276 60
Total for parochial objects.....	\$321 60

Objects within the Diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$8 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	6 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$327 60

The vestry have received two eligible lots from the town company, and are looking forward with hope to the time when the funds in hand will warrant the commencement of the church building. The ladies of this parish deserve credit for their faithful work.

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, Rev. J. L. GAY, Rector.

Families, 20. Congregation, 50. Inhabitants, 2,300.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

Public services: On Sundays, 80; on other days, 24; total, 104.

Communions, 9.

Communicants: Last reported, 20; admitted, 2; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 3; present number, male, 5; female, 20; total, 25.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 6; scholars, male, 10; female, 20; total, 38.

Offerings—Objects within the parish :

Expenditures, about.....	\$600 00
Communion alms.....	15 00
Total for parochial objects.....	\$615 00

Objects within the Diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$8 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan missions.....	5 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 18 00

For general objects :

Domestic missions.....	\$10 00
Foreign missions.....	5 00
For a local charity.....	3 00

Total for general objects..... 18 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$651 00

Source of the above, indicated as follows :

Regular subscriptions, about.....	\$50
The offertory.....	65
Ladies' society, for various objects, about.....	250

Condition of the parish: Value of church property, church lot, \$250; church, \$1,200; rectory, \$500; total, \$5,250. Floating debt, \$14.50. Salary pledged to rector, \$600. Sunday School library, 60 volumes.

The condition of this parish is slowly but certainly improving. It is subject, however, to the fluctuations, changes and depressions of a railroad town that is less than seven years old. We have gained some, but have lost nearly as many by removals in the course of the past year. The tone of piety is too low, but the Rector hopes that it, too, is improving. Some of the old difficulties appear to be disappearing. We need a bell and a font.

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LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, Rev. A. BEATTY, Rector.

Families, 10. Congregation, 40.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5.

Confirmed, 3.

Public services, 89.

Communion, 10.

Communicants: Last reported, 24; admitted, 4; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, present number, male, 6; female, 20; total, 26.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 3; scholars, male, 9; female, 4; total, 44.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of rector and other current expenses.....	\$108 00
Communion alms.....	9 00
Church improvement.....	614 57

Total for parochial objects..... \$731 57

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$5 00
Convention assessment.....	6 00
Diocesan missions.....	7 35

Total for Diocesan objects..... 17 35

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$748 92

Condition of the parish: Value of church property, church lot, \$400; church, \$3,000; total, \$3,400.

During the winter the church building was completed. The ceiling was panelled, the walls plastered with white finish, and the chancel arranged with choir recess and robing room. It is now a beautiful church, but it needs some necessary furniture and carpets. The parish has suffered from removals.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, Rev. CHARLES S. DANIEL, Rector.

Families, 100. Congregation, 400. Inhabitants, 15,000.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11.

Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 6. Burials, 6.

Public services: On Sundays, 72; on holy days, 40; on other days, 88; total, 200.

Communion, 20.

Communicants: Last reported, 81; admitted, 8; added by removal, 10; lost by removal, present number, male, 10; female, 68; total, 78.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$1,661 85
Communion alms.....	166 25
Miscellaneous.....	171 80
Interest, &c.....	343 00

Total for parochial objects..... \$2,342 90

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$37 00
Convention assessment.....	16 00
Diocesan missions.....	56 70

Total for Diocesan objects..... 109 70

For general objects :	
Christmas fund.....	\$6 85
Domestic missions.....	8 00
Total for general objects.....	\$14 85
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$2,467 50
Source of the above, indicated as follows :	
Pew rents.....	\$1,404 60
The offertory.....	420 00
Special subscriptions.....	235 00
Ladies' society.....	220 00
Balance last year.....	172 90
Condition of Parish : Value of church property, church lot, \$500 ; church, \$25,000 ; total, \$15,500. Parish debt : Funded, \$2,000 ; floating, \$500 ; total, \$2,500. Sunday School library, 250 volumes.	

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids, Rev. CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 9. Congregation (average), 60.

Marriages, 1.

Public services : On Sundays, 26.

Communions, 8.

Communicants : Last reported, 10 ; added by removal, 2 ; present number, male, 4 ; female, 8 ; total, 12.

Offerings—Objects within the Diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$1 00
Diocesan missions.....	1 60
Total for Diocesan objects.....	\$2 60

For general objects :

Domestic missions.....	\$8 00
Foreign missions.....	1 00
Indian missions.....	1 00
Home missions to colored people.....	1 00
Total for general objects.....	9 00
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$11 60

Zion Church, Centre Township, Rev. CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 15. Congregations, 25.

Baptisms : Infants, 3.

Confirmed, 7. Burials, 1.

Public services : On Sundays, 34.

Communions, 8.

Communicants : Last reported, 18 ; admitted, 7 ; present number, male, 14 ; female, 11 ; total, 25.

Sunday School : Teachers and officers, male, 2 ; female, 1 ; scholars, male, 11 ; female, 9 ; total, 23.

Offerings—Objects within the diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$8 00
Missions.....	5 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	\$13 00

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for general objects :

Mission debt.....	\$9 75
Total for general objects.....	9 75
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$90 65

Trinity Church, Irving, Rev. CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 10. Congregations, 30.	
Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4.	
Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 36; on holy days, 11; total, 47.	
Communion, 9.	
Communicants: Last reported, 8; admitted, 4; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 1	
present number, male, 5; female, 9; total, 14.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Expenditures.....	\$9 00
Total for parochial objects.....	\$ 9 00
Objects within the diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$4 30
Diocesan missions.....	5 90
Total for Diocesan objects.....	10 20
for general objects:	
Christmas fund.....	\$1 50
Debt fund.....	39 25
Total for general objects.....	40 75
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$50 95

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 22. Congregation, 50. Inhabitants, 3,000.	
Confirmed, 1.	
Public Services : On Sundays, 64; on holy days, 2; on other days, 25; total, 91.	
Communions, 12.	
Communicants : Admitted, 1; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 7; present number, 10.	
Male, 7; female, 18; total, 25.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish :	
Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$305 00
Communion alms. (Communion alms are devoted to missions and theological education, as reported below).....	29 60
Total for parochial objects.....	\$305 00
Objects within the Diocese :	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$10 00
Diocesan missions.	17 85
Total for diocesan objects.....	27 85
for general objects :	
Domestic missions.....	\$5 37
Foreign missions.....	3 38
Education of theological students.....	3 00
Total for general objects.....	11 75
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$344 60

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Source of the above, indicated as follows :

Regular subscriptions.....	\$200 00
The offertory.....	25 00
Ladies' society.....	65 00
Condition of the parish : Value of church property, church lot, \$300; church, \$1,700; total, \$2,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200. Sunday School library, 70 volumes.	
I have but two services a month at Independence, the first and third Sundays, giving one Sunday each at Humboldt and at Coffeyville.	

NEOSHO COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, Rev. J. L. GAY, Rector.

Families, 15. Congregation, 50. Inhabitants, 1,000.	
Baptisms : Infants, 2.	
Confirmed, 1. Burials, 1.	
Public services : On Sundays, 20; on other days, 5; total, 25.	
Communions, 5.	
Communicants : Last reported, 19; admitted, 1; lost by removal, 2; present number, male, 3; female, 15; total, 18.	
Sunday School : Teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; scholars, male, 7; female, 10; total, 22.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish :	
Expenditures, about.....	\$100 00
Communion alms.....	7 00
Total for parochial objects.....	\$107 00
Objects within the Diocese :	
Salary of the Bishop and convention assessment.....	\$8 50
Diocesan missions.....	\$2 50
Total for Diocesan objects.....	11 00
For general objects :	
Domestic missions.....	\$3 50
Total for general objects.....	3 50
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$121 50
Condition of the parish : Value of church property, church lot, \$100; church, \$300; total, \$400. Floating debt, \$6. Salary pledged to Rector, nothing; takes what is given at each Sunday service. Sunday School library, 25 volumes.	
This parish is also improving. Much of the credit of this is due to the faithful and persistent efforts of the senior warden, Mr. S. S. Warner. It has suffered some by removals, and will probably suffer more. The parish is substantially out of debt, and though small and weak, is in good condition.	

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, JAMES H. LEE, Rector.

Families, 29. Congregation, 104.	
Baptisms : Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6.	
Confirmed, 3. Burials, 2.	
Public services : On Sundays, 37; on holy days, 2; on other days, 6; total, 45.	
Communions, 7.	

Communicants: Admitted, 3; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 7; present number, male, 12; female, 36; total, 48.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 8; scholars, male, 22; female, 25; total, 58.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

For parochial objects..... \$310 04

Offerings—Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop..... \$20 00

Convention assessment..... 7 00

Diocesan missions..... 15 90

Total for Diocesan objects..... 42 90

For general objects:

Domestic missions..... \$14 50

Foreign missions..... 4 00

Total for general objects..... 18 50

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$371 44

Source of the above, indicated as follows:

Regular subscriptions..... \$180 00

The offertory..... 179 54

Ladies' Society..... 11 90

Condition of parish: Value of church property, church, \$5,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$400.

The report of baptisms, confirmations, burials and public service covers only the half year during which the present Rector has been in charge of the parish.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ's Church, Salina, Rev. T. B. DOOLEY, Rector.

Families, 30. Congregation, 100.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 14; total, 31.

Confirmed, 30. Marriages, 2. Burials, 11.

Public services: On Sundays, 104; on holy days, 7; on other days, 12; total, 123.

Communion, 15.

Communicants: Last reported, 25; admitted, 28; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 4; died, 1; present number, male, 17; female, 33; total, 50.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; scholars, male, 14; female, 16; total, 37.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures..... \$58 94

Other current expenses..... 30 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$88 94

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop..... \$19 00

Convention assessment..... 5 00

Diocesan Missions..... 20 00

Total for diocesan objects..... 44 00

For general objects:

Christmas fund..... \$5 00

Domestic missions..... 4 00

Total for general objects..... 9 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$141 94

Source of the above, indicated as follows:

The offertory.....	\$20 00
Special subscriptions.....	123 00
Ladies' society, cash on hand.....	44 00
Condition of Parish: Value of church property, church lot, \$400; church, \$1,500; total, \$1,900. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500.	

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Topeka, Rev. HENRY H. LORING, Rector.

Families, 76.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 11. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 100; admitted, 11; added by removal, 13; lost by removal, 4; present number, 120.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 5; scholars, 75; total, 85.

Grace Church Guild, members, 26. Ladies' Parish Aid Society, members, 73.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of rector and other current expenses.....	\$1,157 50
Communion alms.....	50 00
Grace Church Guild.....	29 50
Parish aid society.....	344 50
Sunday school.....	51 50
Easter offerings.....	107 50
Total for parochial objects.....	\$1,740 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$43 00
Convention assessment.....	45 00
Diocesan missions.....	52 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	140 00

For general objects:

Christmas fund.....	\$15 00
Domestic missions, general board.....	20 00
Foreign missions.....	20 00
Indian missions.....	5 00
Home Missions to colored people.....	5 00
American church missionary society for Mexico.....	24 00
Evangelical education society.....	5 00
Society for the increase of the ministry.....	2 00
Shawnee county Bible society.....	6 00
Total for general objects.....	102 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings.....

Condition of parish: Value of church property, \$15,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200.

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth Township, Rev. C. E. BUTLER, Rector.

Families, 16. Congregation, 40.

Burials, 1.

Public services: On Sundays, 26.

Communions, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 28; lost by removal, 4; died, 1; [present number, male, 10; female, 13; total, 23.

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Offerings—Objects within the parish :	
For the poor.....	\$1 50
Total for parochial objects.....	\$1 50
Objects within the Diocese :	
Diocesan missions.....	\$3 05
Total for Diocesan objects.....	3 05
For general objects :	
Domestic missions.....	\$5 50
Church missionary society.....	1 83
Total for general objects.....	7 43
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$11 98

REV. JOHN WOART,
Presbyter, Chaplain U. S. A.

During the past conventional year I have continued to perform my appropriate duties at this military post.

I have baptised two adults and seventeen children. I have performed the burial service seventeen times. I have performed the marriage service once. On one Sunday in every month I have celebrated the Lord's supper, usually with twelve communicants.

JOHN WOART, *Presbyter.*

Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, June 5, 1877.

REV. REESE P. KENDALL,
Deacon.

Report for conventional year: Admitted to diaconate by Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, July 9th, 1876. Assisted Rev. H. H. Loring, Grace parish, Topeka, ten (10) times. Officiated once each at St. Paul's, Leavenworth, and Emmanuel, Monmouth. Assisted Rev. C. E. Butler at Emmanuel, Monmouth, once (1); also Rev. J. Woart, post chaplain, Fort Leavenworth.

Since beginning of Lent, have officiated in St. Paul's Church, Warsaw, Ill., fifteen (15) Sundays and on Good Friday, where I continue services.

Present residence and post office, Hamilton, Illinois.

Respectfully,

R. P. KENDALL.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS

PLACE	COUNTY.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR MISSIONS.	FAMILIES				CONGREGANTS.				BAPTISMS.				CONFIRMED.				MARRIAGES.				BURIALS.				COMMUNICANTS.				SUN Y SCH'L.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			
			Families.....	Congregat'ns.	Infants.....	Adults.....	Total.....	Confirmed.....	Marrriages.....	Burials.....	Last reported	Added.....	Died or removed	Present number	Teachers	Scholars..	Total.....	Communion alms.	Parochial objects.....	Diocesan objects.....	General objects.....	Total.....																
Achison.....	Trinity.....	70	325	19	7	26	23	6	5	65	31	10	86	18	117	135	\$79 75	\$2,539 80	\$174 64	\$25 00	\$2,739 74																
Marshall.....	St. Mark's.....	9	60	5	5	2	1	2	1	42	6	24	44	7	65	72	2 80	530 00	3 00	9 00	533 80																
Burlington.....	Ascension.....	15	45	5	5	2	1	1	1	6	7	1	6	1	7	7	11 16	11 16	10 00	10 00	21 16																
Coffey.....	Mission.....	4	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Howard.....	St. Paul's.....	15	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Cedarvale.....	Zion.....	15	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Labette.....	Mission.....	15	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Center Township.....	Mission.....	15	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Clear Fork.....	Mission.....	15	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Coffeyville.....	Mission.....	15	25	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Ellisworth.....	Holy Apostles.....	10	40	3	2	5	3	3	3	20	6	4	26	4	40	44	731 57	731 57	17 35	17 35	748 92																
Emporia.....	St. Andrew's.....	15	50	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
Greenwood.....	St. Thomas.....	15	50	3	3	3	7	1	1	18	7	1	25	3	20	23	11 80	11 80	9 75	9 75	20 55																
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APPENDIX C.

RT OF EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

AIL, TREASURER, *In account with Contributors to Diocesan Missions.*

DR.

hand from last account, as per last Journal.....	\$91 73
ditional, by error in last Journal as printed.....	21 98
Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	48 30
Trinity Church, Atchison.....	87 05
Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	34 66
Grace Church, Topeka.....	52 00
St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	14 75
St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	21 20
Christ's Church, Salina.....	17 75
Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	44 35
St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....	4 26
St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	4 20
St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	9 50
St. Matthew's Church, Newton.....	6 10
St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	6 43
Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	12 60
Marshall county missions.....	27 00
St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	15 00
St. John's Church, Wichita.....	24 40
Neodesha mission.....	1 25
Days City Mission, per Rev. E. Guion.....	5 00
St. John's Church, Girard.....	9 85
Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5 65
Cedar Vale mission.....	6 66
unknown, 5c.; H. Buckingham, Concordia, \$1.....	1 05

\$575 81

ually received since last Convention, \$459.10.

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Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, missionary at Wakefield, on salary.....	\$50 00
Rev. Paul Zeigler, trip to Ottawa.....	8 00
Rev. F. O. Osborne, visits to northern counties.....	9 75
Rev. Chas. Holmes, special appropriation from Church of St. Paul, orth.....	25 00
Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, special appropriation from Grace Church,	25 00
Rev. A. Beatty, trip to Wichita and Newton.....	3 75
Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, for Sunday school books, &c., for Sunday St. John's, Wakefield, special appropriation from Sunday school as of Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	10 00
eat of Eagle Hall, and sexton, at Wichita.....	6 00
Rev. A. Beatty, on account of salary.....	50 00
Rev. A. Beatty, expenses of traveling.....	10 86
ditor of Kansas Churchman towards deficit.....	25 00
Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, from Grace Church, Topeka, special, to July	25 00
Rev. Chas. Holmes, from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, special, , 1877.....	25 00
Treasurer's hands.....	302 45

\$575 81

ually expended since last Convention, \$273.36.

APPENDIX D.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. FARNSWORTH, in account with Parochial Assessments for the support of the Episcopate.

Receipts.		Disbursements.	
1876.	Dr.	1876.	Cr.
June 12 To balance cash in treasury.....	\$183 80	June 13 By cash paid Bishop Vail (balance in treasury).....	\$183 80
June 13 To cash St. John's Church, Girard, assn't 1876-6.....	8 50	June 13 " paid Bishop Vail.....	8 50
June 13 " St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, ".....	3 00	Oct. 6 " paid Bishop Vail.....	11 50
June 26 " Post Chapel, Fort Leavenworth, ".....	8 50		
1877.			
June 6 Christ's Church, Salina.....	19 00	Jan. 12 " paid Bishop Vail.....	5 00
May 30 " Trinity Church, Atchison.....	87 50	Feb. 6 " paid Bishop Vail (per Trinity Church, Atch.).....	12 50
June 6 " St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	17 00	Feb. 9 " paid Bishop Vail.....	5 00
June 16 " St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	10 00	May 29 " paid Bishop Vail.....	8 00
April 25 " Cedar Vale Mission.....	4 50	June 8 " paid Bishop Vail (per Trinity Ch., Atchison).....	25 00
June 2 " Mrs. E. D. Cook and others, Wamego.....	2 00	June 8 " paid Bishop Vail.....	200 00
June 6 " Mrs. Sue Gardner and others, Hiawatha.....	7 00	June 12 " paid Bishop Vail (per St. John's Ch., Wakefield).....	5 00
July 1 " Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	16 00	June 23 " paid Bishop Vail.....	81 40
July 13 " Grace Church, Topeka.....	35 00	June 23 " paid Bishop Vail.....	11 30
June 6 " St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	37 00	July 12 " paid Bishop Vail.....	32 50
June 6 " St. John's Church, Manhattan.....	2 00	July 13 Balance.....	8 00
June 6 " St. Paul's Church, Lawrence.....	20 00		
June 6 " Trinity Church, Emporia.....	58 40		
June 6 " St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	5 00		
June 6 " St. Matthew's Church, Newton.....	6 00		
June 6 " Hays City.....	3 00		
June 6 " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	32 00		
June 6 " St. John's Church, Parsons.....	8 00		
June 6 " St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	8 50		
June 7 " Ascension Church, Burlington.....	3 00		
June 7 " St. John's Church, Girard.....	8 00		
June 8 " Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	14 50		
June 12 " St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa.....	5 00		
June 16 " Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa.....	6 00		
July 11 " Covenant Church, Junction City.....	18 00		
June 23 " Trinity Church, Irving.....	4 90		
June 23 " Zion Church, Center.....	1 00		
June 23 " St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	1 00		
Total.....	\$971 90	Total.....	\$971 90

J. W. FARNSWORTH, Treasurer, in account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.

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1876.	Receipts.	Dr.	1876.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 10	To cash, balance in treasury.....	\$281 59	June 13	By cash paid Bishop Vail (by order of Convention).....	\$31 59
June 13	" St. John's Church, Girard, assessment 1876-6.....	5 00	June 13	" paid Bishop Vail (by order of Convention).....	5 00
Aug. 29	" Christ's Church, Salina.....	2 25	Aug. 11	" paid George W. Martin for printing proceed- ings of seventeenth annual.....	170 00
1877.			Oct. 5	" paid George W. Martin, printing 750 copies Bishop's charge.....	40 00
June 1	" Christ's Church, Salina.....	5 00	Oct. 6	" paid Bishop Vail.....	7 25
June 6	" St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	5 00	Nov. 3	" postage on Journal and Bishop's charge.....	8 88
June 6	" St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	1 00	1877.		
June 6	" St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	10 00	June 4	" paid George W. Martin, for printing parochi- al reports.....	13 50
June 6	" St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	7 00	June 7	" paid F. E. Stimpson, for printing circulars.....	8 00
June 6	" Trinity Church, Atchison.....	45 00	July 13	Balance.....	221 12
June 6	" St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	30 00	Total.....		\$505 34
June 6	" St. John's Church, Parsons.....	5 00			
June 6	" St. John's Church, Girard.....	5 00			
June 7	" St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	16 00			
June 7	" Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	5 00			
July 11	" Covenant Church, Junction City.....	10 00			
July 13	" Grace Church, Topeka.....	27 00			
	Total.....	\$505 34			

APPENDIX E.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee, as finally constituted, with power, report that they have examined and audited the Treasurer's report, and find it correct.

CONVENTION FUND.

They report the following parishes deficient on the account of convention assessments due at or before the convention of 1876; and because of real financial inability or because of large expenditures in church building or improving, they have, in accordance with the instruction of the convention, remitted these back dues, viz.:

Burlington, Ascension Church.....	\$10 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's Church.....	10 00
Fort Leavenworth, post.....	5 50
Fort Riley, post.....	5 00
Netawaka, Christ Church.....	5 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church.....	5 00
Osage Mission, St. Peter's Church.....	5 00
	<u>\$43 50</u>

Upon examination of the Treasurer's report, as to the assessments reported in the Journal of 1876, it was found that it would be unsafe to fix the account to be assessed for the present convention year (1877-78), at less than \$225, and they have, therefore, made the following assessment, to be paid on or before the convention of 1878, viz :

Atchison, Trinity Church.....	\$30 00
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's Church.....	3 00
Burlington, Ascension Church.....	10 00
Centre Township, Zion Church.....	3 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's Church.....	8 00
Fort Leavenworth, post.....	5 00
Fort Riley, post.....	5 00
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church.....	20 00
Girard, St. John's Church	5 00
Independence, Epiphany Church.....	5 00
Junction City, Church of the Covenant.....	10 00
Leavenworth, Church of St. Paul.....	30 00
Lawrence, Trinity Church.....	20 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's Church.....	10 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel Church.....	5 00
Netawaka, Christ Church.....	3 00
Parsons, St. John's Church.....	5 00
Salina, Christ Church.....	10 00
Topeka, Grace Church.....	30 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church.....	3 00
Wakefield, St. John's Church.....	5 00
	<u>\$225 00</u>

BISHOP'S SALARY.

ing assessments for Bishop's salary are made at the rate of fifty cents for each
 , as per order of Convention, upon the basis of the number of communicants
 ie convention of 1876, except where, from clear evidence, the number reported
 ch too large. The first column shows the amounts actually due in June, 1877,
 The second column shows the assessments due on or before June, 1878.

<i>Parishes.</i>	<i>Due 1877.</i>	<i>Due 1878.</i>
inity Church.....		\$32 50
ascension Church.....	\$5 00	5 00
ship, Zion Church.....	9 00	9 00
urch of the Holy Apostles.....	2 50	2 50
Andrew's Church.....	9 00	9 00
worth, post.....	6 00	7 50
ost.....	6 50	2 00
t. Andrew's Church.....	10 00	30 00
sha's Church.....		5 00
s, Church of the Epiphany.....		11 50
r, Church of the Covenant.....		16 00
	18 00	11 00
, Church of St. Paul.....		4 00
rinity Church.....	6 50	45 00
st. Paul's Church.....		65 00
Emmanuel Church.....	20 00	20 00
		14 00
		4 00
hrist Church.....	5 00	8 00
t. Mark's Church.....	3 50	3 50
n, St. Peter's Church.....		9 50
		8 00
John's Church.....		11 50
t Church.....		12 50
ce Church.....	16 00	50 00
		5 00
John's Church.....	5 00	5 00
Luke's Church.....		2 50
St. Paul's Church.....		8 00
t. John's Church.....		20 50
	\$132 50	\$452 50

p wishes it to be distinctly understood, in relation to the *deficiencies* in the
 , that in the judgment of the committee, all the delinquent parishes ought to
 ay these balances due on this, as also on the other account of convention fund,
 the remission of these debts seems hardly fair to the parishes which have
 l paid. But, if any of these delinquent parishes *are honestly unable* to pay
 , in whole or in part, then whatever balances cannot be paid *he donates* to the
 ch parishes, so that no debts on this account of Bishop's salary shall be re-
 next Convention, but that, from that point, all the parishes may start unin-
 th old debts, and with full and equal purpose to pay all these just debts in the
 further remissions are or ought to be expected.

PARISH ASSESSMENTS.

For the year 1877-8, to be paid at or before the Convention of 1877.

<i>Parishes.</i>	<i>Conve'n Fund.</i>	<i>Bishop's Salary.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Atchison, Trinity Church.....	\$30 00	\$32 50	\$62 50
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's Church.....	3 00	5 00	8 00
Burlington, Ascension Church.....	10 00	9 00	19 00
Cedarvale.....		2 50	2 50
Center Township, Zion Church.....	3 00	9 00	12 00
Coffeyville.....		4 00	4 00
Ellsworth, Church of Holy Apostles.....		4 00	4 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's Church.....	8 00	9 00	17 00
Fort Leavenworth, Post.....	5 00	7 50	12 50
Fort Riley, Post.....	5 00	2 50	7 50
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church.....	20 00	20 00	60 00
Hiawatha, Calvary Mission.....		5 00	5 00
Girard, St. John's Church.....	5 00	11 50	16 50
Independence, Church of the Epiphany.....	5 00	16 00	21 00
Junction City, Church of the Covenant.....	10 00	11 00	21 00
Irving, Trinity Church.....		4 00	4 00
Lawrence, Trinity Church.....	20 00	65 00	85 00
Leavenworth, Church of St. Paul.....	30 00	45 00	75 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's Church.....	10 00	20 00	30 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel Church.....	5 00	14 00	19 00
Newton, St. Matthew's Church.....		4 00	4 00
Netawaka, Christ Church.....	3 00	8 00	11 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mark's Church.....		3 50	3 50
Osage Mission, St. Peter's Church.....		9 50	9 50
Ottawa, Church of the Holy Comforter.....		6 00	6 00
Parsons, St. John's Church.....	5 00	11 50	16 50
Salina, Christ Church.....	10 00	12 50	22 50
Topeka, Grace Church.....	30 00	50 00	80 00
Troy, Trinity Church.....		5 00	5 00
Wakefield, St. John's Church.....	5 00	20 50	25 50
Wamego, St. Luke's Church.....		2 50	2 50
Wichita, St. John's Church.....		5 00	5 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's.....	3 00	8 00	11 00
Total.....	\$325 00	\$452 50	\$677 50

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

_____ County (town or city), _____ inhabitants.
 _____ Church, organized _____.
 _____ Rector. Took charge _____.

ies, _____; congregation, _____.

isms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —

med, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.

Services: On Sundays, —; on holy days, —; on other days, —; total, —.

unions, —.

unicants: Last reported, _____; admitted, _____; added by removal, _____; lost by
 . _____; died, _____; present number, male, _____; female, _____; total, _____.

y School: Teachers and officers, male, —; female, —; total, —; scholars, male, —;
 —; total, —.

OFFERINGS.

cltures, \$—; salary of Rector and other current expenses, \$—; communion alms,
 all of parochial objects, \$—. Salary of the Bishop, \$—; Convention assessment,
 cesan missions, \$—; total of Diocesan objects, \$—. Christmas fund, \$—; domes-
 ons, \$—; foreign missions, \$—; Indian missions, \$—; home missions to colored
 —; education of theological students, \$—; total for general objects, \$—. Total
 penditures and offerings, \$—.

ource of the above is indicated as follows:

nts, \$—; regular subscriptions, \$—; the offertory, \$—; special subscriptions, \$—;
 ciety, \$—; &c., \$—; total, \$—.

CONDITION OF THE PARISH.

of church property: Church lot, \$—; church, \$—; chapel, \$—; rectory, \$—;

debt. Funded, \$—; floating, \$—; total, \$—.

pledged to Rector, \$—; arrears of salary unpaid, \$—.

library, _____ volumes; Sunday School library, _____ volumes.

REMARKS.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

Those names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the
 religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and
 ourselves, our families, and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together,
 e name and style and title of the parish of _____ Church (name of the city or
 upty of _____, State of Kansas; and by so doing, do adopt the Constitution and
 f the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States of America, and of the
 of Kansas.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the annual meeting of the parish (*or, in case the parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the vestry*) of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. B., who is a baptized person, and a member of the parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord, _____.

(Signed)

Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of —

Or, _____ *Warden.*

Or, _____
Minister of — Church.

NOTE.—The names of all the delegates may be included in one certificate.



OFFICERS OF CONVENTION AND DIOCESE.

—RT. REV. THOMAS HUBBARD VAIL, D. D., L. L. D., Topeka.

Secretary—REV. C. E. BUTLER, Topeka.

Treasurer—MR. J. W. FARNSWORTH, Topeka.

Registrar—REV. D. W. COXE, Fort Scott.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Reynolds, D. D., Fort Riley, President; Rev. C. E. Butler, Topeka, Secretary; A. Beatty, D. D. and Rev. H. H. Loring: Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth, Geo. Giles and L. G. Hopkins.

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Osborne, Paul Zeigler, W. H. Hickcox, Chas. Holmes; Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, J. W. Farnsworth and C. C. Kellam.

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Beatty, D. W. Coxe, Paul Zeigler, Chas. Holmes, John Woart, C. S. Daniel, Ambrose Todd; Messrs. A. G. Otis, J. J. Buck, A. Todd, G. W. Higginbotham, T. B. S. M. Palmer.

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Thomas H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., President *ex officio*, Topeka; Rev. C. E. Butler, Topeka; Rev. L. L. Holden, and Rev. H. H. Loring, of Topeka—all of them; Rev. Heman Dyer, D. D., of New York; and Messrs. George Geiger, Jas. Alfred G. Otis, and Ambrose Todd, all of Kansas; and James F. Sheafor, of

General Theological Seminary—The Rev. H. H. Loring.

DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Revs. Charles Reynolds, D. D., A. Beatty, D. D., D. W. Coxe and H. H. Stimpson, Ambrose Todd, A. G. Otis and J. J. Buck.
Messrs. L. L. Holden, W. H. Hickcox, F. O. Osborne and J. L. Gay; Messrs. Ambrose Todd, James Chase, G. A. Scovill and George S. Brown.

REFERRED TO CONVENTION OF 1878.

amendment to Canon XII. See page 21 of Journal.

a committee appointed to draw up a Canon having reference to missionary work on page 22.





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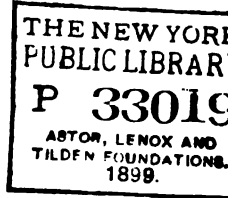
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LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES.

St. John's Church.....	<i>Abilene.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Baxter Springs.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Blue Rapids.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
Zion Church.....	<i>Center Township.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Chetopa.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Epiphany.....	<i>Independence.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
Church of St. John.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
St. John's Memorial Church.....	<i>Parsons.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Troy.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wakefield.</i>
St. Luke's Church.....	<i>Wamego.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandotte.</i>

PARISHES ORGANIZED BUT NOT IN UNION WITH THE CON-
VENTION.

Church of the Holy Apostle.....	<i>Ellsworth.</i>
St. Thomas' Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Garnett.</i>
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	<i>Ottawa.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>

CONGREGATIONS NOT ORGANIZED AS PARISHES.

Post Chapel.....	<i>Ft. Leavenworth.</i>
Post Chapel.....	<i>Fort Riley.</i>

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Topeka.

The Rev. T. W. Barry, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.

The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Missionary on the A., T. & S. F. R. R.—P. O., Emporia.

The Rev. John W. Birchmore, Missionary at and near Abilene.

The Rev. C. E. Butler, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, and Missionary at Monmouth and Mission Creek.

The Rev. J. S. Colton, Missionary at Wichita and Newton.

The Rev. D. W. Coxe, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott and St. John's, Girard.

The Rev. T. B. Dooley, Rector of Christ Church, Salina.

The Rev. John L. Gay, Rector of St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, and St. Peter's, Osage Mission.

The Rev. W. H. Hickcox, Missionary at Wakefield.

The Rev. L. L. Holden, Missionary on the L., L. & G. R. R.—P. O., Williamsburgh.

The Rev. Chas. Holmes, Missionary in Marshall County—P. O., Irving.

The Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.

The Rev. H. H. Loring, Rector of Grace Church, Topeka.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity Church, Atchison.

The Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.

The Rev. George Turner, Missionary on Central Branch U. S. R. R.—P. O., Hiawatha.

The Rev. John Woart, Chaplain U. S. A., Ft. Leavenworth.

The Rev. Paul Ziegler, Rector of Trinity Church, Lawrence.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

The Rev. Reese F. Kendal, Deacon.

LIST OF THE COUNTIES AND CLERICAL WORK.

ALLEN COUNTY—Emmanuel Mission, Humboldt, Rev. L. L. Holden, Missionary.
ANDERSON COUNTY—Grace Mission, Garnett.
ATCHISON COUNTY—Trinity Church, Atchison, Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rector;
 Muscotah and New Malden, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
BOURBON COUNTY—St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, Rev. D. W. Coxé, Rector.
BROWN COUNTY—Calvary Mission, Hlawatha, —, Missionary.
CHEROKEE COUNTY—Mission at Columbus and Baxter Springs.
CLOUD COUNTY—Clyde, —, Missionary; Concordia, —, Missionary.
COFFEY COUNTY—St. Andrew's Church, Burlington, Rev. A. Beatty, Rector.
CRAWFORD COUNTY—St. John's Church, Girard, Rev. D. W. Coxé, Rector.
DAVIS COUNTY—Church of the Covenant, Junction City, Rev. C. Reynolds,
 D. D., Rector.
DONIPHAN COUNTY—Trinity Church, Troy, and mission at Wathena, —,
 Missionary; Mission at White Cloud.
DouGLAS COUNTY—Trinity Church, Lawrence, Rev. Paul Zeigler, Rector.
ELLAWORTH COUNTY—Mission of the Holy Apostles, Ellsworth, —, Mis-
 sionary.
FRANKLIN COUNTY—Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, —, Missionary.
GREENWOOD COUNTY—Christ Church, Eureka, —, Missionary.;
HOWARD COUNTY—Cedarvale, Rev. H. S. Attwater, Missionary.
JACKSON COUNTY—Holton and Netawaka, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
JEFFERSON COUNTY—St. Mark's Church, Oskaloosa, —, Missionary.
JOHNSON COUNTY—Olathe, —, Missionary.
LABETTE COUNTY—Parsons, St. John's Memorial Church, Rev. J. L. Gay, Rector.
LEAVENWORTH COUNTY—Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth City, Rev. T. W.
 Barry, Rector; Church of St. John, South Leavenworth, —, Rector; Fort
 Leavenworth, Rev. John Woart, Chaplain U. S. A.; Mission, Reno, —, Mis-
 sionary.
LYON COUNTY—St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, Rev. A. Beatty, Rector.
MIAMI COUNTY—St. James' mission, Paola, —, Missionary.
MARSHALL COUNTY—Waterville and Blue Rapids, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary;
 Mission, Barret's school house, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary; Zion Church, Centre
 township, Rev. C. Holmes, Missionary.
MONTGOMERY COUNTY—Church of the Epiphany, Independence, —, Rev.
 L. L. Holden, Missionary; Missions at Coffeyville, Neodesha and Thayer, —,
 Missionary.
NEMAH COUNTY—Wetmore and Seneca, Rev. G. Turner, Missionary.
NEOSHO COUNTY—Missions, Erie and Osage Mission, Rev. J. L. Gay, Missionary.
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY—St. Luke's Mission, Wamego, —, Missionary.
RILEY COUNTY—St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector; Fort
 Riley, Rev. C. Reynolds, Chaplain, U. S. A.
SALINE COUNTY—Christ Church, Salina, Rev. T. B. Dooley, Rector.
SEDGWICK COUNTY—St. John's Church, Wichita, Rev. J. S. Colton, Missionary.
SHAWNEE COUNTY—Grace Church, Topeka, Rev. H. H. Loring, Rector; Em-
 manuel Mission, Monmouth, Rev. C. E. Butler, Missionary.
WYANDOTTE COUNTY—St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, }
EMPORIA, KAS., June 5, 1878. }

This being the time and place for holding the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in St. Andrew's Church at 10 o'clock A. M., for the celebration of divine worship.

Morning Prayer was said through the Psalter by the Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., the Rev. L. L. Holden read the Lessons, and the Revs. J. H. Lee and W. H. Hickcox read the Litany and the concluding prayers. The Bishop read the Ante-Communion Service, assisted by the Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., reading the Epistle. The Rev. D. W. Coxe then preached from Genesis 49 : 4.

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted in the administration by the Rev. Messrs. Holden, Hickcox and Coxe.

The religious exercises being concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically resident in the Diocese, as required by Canon I., when those present entitled to seats answered to their names.

The certificates of lay delegates were then laid on the Secretary's table and referred to the following Committee: Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., and Messrs. Orson Kent and David Plumb.

The Convention then took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 5th, 1878—3 P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualification reported as follows :

The Committee on Qualifications report that they have carefully examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons reported by him are canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention in accordance with section 2, article III, of the Constitution of this Diocese :

CLERGY.

Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL. D.

The Rev. T. W. Barry.

The Rev. Rev. A. Beatty, D. D.

The Rev. John W. Birchmore.

The Rev. C. E. Butler.

The Rev. Joseph S. Colton.

The Rev. D. W. Cox.

The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley.

The Rev. John L. Gay.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox.

The Rev. L. L. Holden.

The Rev. Charles Holmes.

The Rev. J. H. Lee.

The Rev. Henry H. Loring.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne.

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D.

The Rev. George Turner.

The Rev. John Woart.

The Rev. Paul Ziegler.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

Rev. Reese F. Kendall.

Rev. Charles S. Daniel.

They have examined also the certificates of lay delegates, and find the following persons duly elected :

Atchison, Trinity Church—A. G. Otis, E. C. Sherer, D. P. Blish.

Abilene, St. John's Church—R. N. Smith, J. W. Gore, H. C. Sheldon.

Burlington, Ascension Church—B. L. Kingsbury, Orson Kent, H. G. Beatty.

Emporia, St. Andrew's Church—J. J. Buck, David Plumb, W. P. McCarty.

Laurence, Trinity Church—F. E. Simpson, Thos. C. Vail.

Leavenworth, St. Paul's Church—J. A. Halderman, J. G. Graham, T. J. Weed.

Manhattan, St. Paul's Church—Ambrose Todd.

Monmouth, Emmanuel Church—H. C. Root.

Osage Mission, St. Peter's Church—S. S. Warner.

Salina, St. John's Church—James Chase, R. T. Watson, Frank Goodenow.

Topeka, Grace Church—J. W. Farnsworth.

Wakefield, St. John's Church—James H. Young.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. C. E. Butler was re-elected, and appointed the Rev. Paul Ziegler as his assistant.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees:

On Admission of New Parishes—Rev. W. H. Hickcox, Rev. George Turner, Rev. T. B. Dooley, Messrs. James G. Graham and David Plumb.

On Constitution and Canons—Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rev. H. H. Loring, Hon. J. J. Buck, Hon. J. A. Halderman.

On the State of the Church—Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. Paul Ziegler, Rev. Charles Holmes, H. G. Beatty, Ambrose Todd.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. D. W. Coxe, S. S. Warner, H. C. Root.

On Finance—Rev. F. O. Osborne, F. E. Stimpson, T. J. Weed.

The Treasurer, being absent, could make no report.

The Registrar asked for further time to prepare his report.

The Standing Committee reported as follows :

The Standing Committee has held five meetings since last Convention, as follows :

1. At the first meeting, June 20, 1877, the Committee organized by re-electing the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., President, and Rev. C. E. Butler, Secretary. It authorized the payment of bill for printing circulars in aid of Episcopal Fund. It also acted as an advisory council to the Bishop.

2. At the second meeting, January 15, 1878, consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Seymour, as Bishop of Springfield, was declined. Consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Eccleston, as Bishop of West Virginia. Mr. Alfred Brown was recommended as Candidate for Orders. The Secretary was author-

ized to issue a circular, calling upon the Parishes to furnish means to pay bills of the previous Convention.

3. At the third meeting, March 7, 1878, Mr. Wm. Horsfall was recommended as Candidate for Orders.

4. At the fourth meeting, April 3, 1878, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Alexander Burges, as Bishop of Quincy, and of the Rev. George W. Perterkin, as Bishop of West Virginia.

5. At the fifth meeting, May 8, 1878, Mr. James Newman was recommended as Candidate for Orders. The bill for postage on Journals was ordered paid.

CHAS. REYNOLDS, Pres't.

The Rev. Mr. Loring then offered the following :

Resolved, That the clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church belonging to other Dioceses, clergy of the Church of England, and theological students, be invited to seats in this Convention.

Subsequently, the Rev. E. H. Canfield, D. D., took his seat in the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds nominated and the Convention elected the Rev. Charles Holmes to fill the place made vacant by the absence of the Rev. J. L. Gay in the committee appointed by the Convention of last year, to draft a Canon with reference to Missions.

The Bishop, in behalf of the Executive Missionary Committee, presented the financial report. (See appendix.) A general discussion on the subject of Missions then took place.

The Rev. J. J. Thompson, having by permission addressed the Convention, the Rev. H. H. Loring offered the following :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to consider the matter stated by the Rev. J. J. Thompson, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, and report thereon.

Resolution was adopted, and the chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. H. H. Loring and A. Beatty, D. D., and Mr. Ambrose Todd.

Mr. J. J. Buck then offered the following, which was referred to the Committee on Constitutions and Canons :

Resolved, That Canons 8 and 9 be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, to report whether said Canons are directory or mandatory, and whether it is lawful to make them mandatory, and to report what amendments thereof or legislation supplemental thereto, if any, is necessary.

The Rev. Mr. Coxe, chairman of Committee on Unfinished Business, then made the following report :

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that

they have carefully examined the proceedings of the last Convention of this Diocese, and find that a proposed amendment to Canon XIII was referred to the consideration of this Convention. The proposed amendment may be found on page 21 of last year's Convention Journal.

We also find that the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Rev. J. L. Gay and Hon. J. J. Buck, were appointed a Committee to present for action at this Convention, a draft for a Canon for the government of Missionary stations.

We also find that the Rev. Messrs. Coxe, Woart and Gay, Messrs. Stimpson and Stiles, were appointed a Committee to consider the subject of Sunday Schools and report to this Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

D. W. COXE,
S. S. WARNER,
H. C. ROOT.

The Parochial Reports were then presented to the Bishop. The report of Trustees of Diocesan Institutions being called for, the Chair announced that they had no formal report to make and referred the Convention to the Annual Address.

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners asked for further time.

Hon. J. A. Halderman then offered an amendment to Section 3, Article 3 of the Constitution, providing for proportionate representation of parishes in Convention. This was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Ziegler offered an amendment as to the time of holding the Annual Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Holden proposed an amendment to Section 2, Canon 7.

Mr. Todd offered an amendment to Canon 4, Section 1.

The three amendments proposed above were also referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion the Convention adjourned until 8 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 5th—8 P. M.

The Convention reassembled.

The Bishop read his Annual Address.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Holmes a Committee of three was appointed to take action on that portion of the Bishop'

Address having reference to missions. This Committee was instructed to report at the earliest date possible. The Chair appointed on said Committee the Rev. Messrs. Holmes and Ziegler, and Dr. Weed.

On motion the Convention adjourned to 9 A. M., Thursday.

THURSDAY, June 6th, 1878—9 A. M.

The Convention reassembled.

The Bishop was assisted in the morning prayer by the Rev. Messrs. Turner, Ziegler and Barry.

The Chair then called the Convention to order.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the previous day were read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes presented a report recommending the parish of St. John's, Abilene, for admission into union with the Convention. On motion, said parish was admitted.

The Committee on Qualifications then reported the names of delegates from said parish.

The roll of the delegates being called, Col. J. W. Gore responded and took his seat.

The Treasurer then made his report, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Registrar then presented the following report:

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports that during the past year he has received and placed in the archives a complete file of the Kansas Churchman, a printed circular addressed to the Communicants of the Church in this Diocese, two pastoral letters, the Journal of the General Convention for 1877, the Spirit of Missions since last June, the Annual Report of the American Church Missionary Society for 1877, the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops, and Journals of Conventions of Minnesota, California, Louisiana, Kentucky, Maine, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Central New York, Easton, New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Wisconsin, Tennessee, Mississippi, Delaware, Missouri, Vermont, Massachusetts, Albany, Kansas, Georgia, Connecticut, Long Island, Michigan, Western New York, Maryland, Fon du Lac, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Northern California, and Maine.

Respectfully submitted.

D. W. COXE, Registrar.

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners then made the following report :

The Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, beg leave to report:

That the annual examinations of last year, and the commencement exercises, were of the usual excellence, reflecting credit on the teachers and officers of the institution. The Committee renew their earnest commendations of this Church College and solicit the patronage of the Diocese. Respectfully submitted,

A. BEATTY, Chairman.

The Finance Committee then made a report, which was referred back to the Committee for corrections.

The hour for the order of the day prescribed by the Rules of Order having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of officers.

In the election of Treasurer the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for Mr. J. W. Farnsworth.

The Rev. D. W. Cox^e was re-elected Registrar.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders for members of the Standing Committee. The clergy chose and the laity approved the following clerical members: Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rev. H. H. Loring, Rev. Paul Ziegler.

The laity, in like manner, chose and the clergy approved the following lay members: Messrs. J. W. Farnsworth, J. A. Halderman, F. E. Stimpson and A. G. Otis.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 3 P. M.

THURSDAY, June 6th—3 P. M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, a Committee of two, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Reynolds and Mr. S. S. Warner, were appointed to nominate members of the Executive Missionary Committee. These gentlemen nominated the following, who were duly elected: Rev. Messrs. F. O. Osborne, T. W. Barry, W. H. Hickcox and Chas. Holmes, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, F. E. Stimpson, T. C. Vail and H. C. Root.

The following were elected as the Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany:

Mr. A. H. Horton, Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Prof. J. H. Canfield, Rev. J. H. Lee, Mr. Ambrose Todd, Rev. L. L. Holden, Hon. Robt. Crozier, Mr. G. W. Higinbotham and Mrs. Higinbotham, Miss E. P. Leonard, Mrs. J. C. Horton, Rev. F. O. Osborne and Mrs. Osborne.

The Committee on the State of the Church asked permission to present a report later in the session, or after adjournment, to be submitted to the Bishop for his approval before it is printed in the Journal. Permission was granted.

The Finance Committee then made a report, which was adopted by the Convention. (See Appendix).

The chair then announced an invitation of the Rev. Dr. Pomeroy, President of the Normal School, to visit said institution. The invitation was accepted for 5:30 P. M.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then reported:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons report that they have examined the several changes proposed, and have reached the following results:

1. They recommend that Art II, Sec. 1 of the Constitution be amended so as to read "the last Wednesday" in June, instead of "the first Wednesday."

This recommendation was adopted by the Convention.

2. They recommend that Sec. 2, Canon VII, be amended as follows:

After the words "shall be referred," on line 1, the words "during the recess of the Convention" be inserted; and,

After the words "to the Annual Convention," on line 6, be inserted "sitting as a Board of Missions on the evening of the first day of its sessions."

So that Sec. 2 of said Canon shall read:

"To this Executive Committee shall be referred, during the recess of the Convention, the administration of the general missionary work of the Diocese, subject to the regulations of the Convention. Said Committee to report to the Annual Convention sitting as a Board of Missions on the evening of the first day of its session."

This recommendation was adopted by the Convention.

3. That they do not consider Canons VIII and IX as mandatory; and that it is inexpedient to make any change in them at present.

Adopted by the Convention.

4. They recommend the adoption of the proposed amendment to Canon IV, Sec. 1, paragraph 1, line 5, inserting the words "a majority of the" between *and* and *vestrymen*.

After some discussion this subject was made the order of the day for the evening session.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund then presented the following report :

The committee appointed to aid in the collection of assessments on communicants for the support of the Bishop respectfully report that they have performed the duty assigned them by the Convention ; and suggest that the standing resolution on the subject be reprinted in the Journal of this Convention for reference during the coming year.

PAUL ZIEGLER,
D. W. COXE,
F. E. STIMPSON.

This report was adopted. The resolution to which it refers is the following :

The Committee therefore respectfully recommend that a committee of three be elected by the Convention, with power to sit during the recess of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to prepare, during or before the season of Lent in each year, a printed circular, addressed to the communicants of the Church in this Diocese, to be sent by the rector or minister in charge, or by the lay-reader, or by the wardens if no rector, of each parish or station, to every communicant or family of communicants, which can thus be reached in the Diocese ; also, the committee is to send to every rector, minister, lay-reader or warden, competent to oversee the matter, a sufficient number of the above-mentioned circulars, with any written instructions as to the use of them which the committee may deem necessary ; also, to take any other steps looking to the full collection of the annual assessments upon the communicants of any parish or station. The circular above mentioned to contain full information as to the condition of the endowment fund, the withdrawal of missionary aid, the necessity of providing a larger support for our Diocesan, and the importance of action by the Diocese through its individual communicants.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY, June 6, 1878—8 P. M.

The Convention reassembled, and was called to order.

The Rev. Mr. Coxe then read the following :

The Committee on Sunday Schools appointed at the last Diocesan Convention respectfully report that they have given much time to the consideration of this question, and deem it of vital importance to the future growth of the Church in our own Dio-

cese. We regard the Sunday School as a nursery of the Church, in which our children should be trained up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and be taught the Doctrines, Constitution and Liturgy of our Church. Realizing that we cannot, at this time, enter into the full discussion of this important question, we pass over many important matters and call attention to a few of the more prominent considerations which seem to require our immediate attention.

While seeking information on this subject, it was suggested to us that a comparison between the number of Communicants and Sunday School Scholars reported in the Journals of our General Convention would furnish a good basis for an estimate of the relative work done by the Sunday Schools in the Diocese of Kansas. From this source we derive the following information:

In 1874 there were reported Communicants, 282,359, and Sunday School Scholars, 310,587, being in the ratio of 100 Communicants to 106 Scholars.

In 1877 there were reported Communicants, 207,387, and Sunday School Scholars, 250,984, being in the ratio of 100 Communicants to 84 Scholars.

There was reported for the Diocese of Kansas in 1872, Communicants, 1,040; Sunday School Scholars, 832; showing its ratio of 100 Communicants to 84 Scholars.

The same Diocese in 1877 reported Communicants, 1,275; Sunday School Scholars, 897; showing the ratio for that year, 100 Communicants to 70 Scholars.

In the report for 1877, the seven Diocesan and Missionary Jurisdictions of the Missouri Valley, show the ratio of 100 Communicants to 106 Sunday School Scholars, being 36 per cent. more Scholars than our Diocese reports for the same year. And there are but 8 of the 52 reports of the entire Church in the United States in which this ratio is less than 70. All of the remainder, except Kansas, are above 70 per cent.

This seems to indicate that there is a deficiency in the Sunday School work of our Diocese.

By a reference to the abstract of Parochial Reports in our Convention Journal for 1877, we find that of the 39 parishes, 24 make no report whatever of Sunday School Scholars; and your Committee are of the opinion that this failure to report may partially account for the above apparent deficiency; but of the 15 parishes reporting, the percentage varies from 33 to 270, indicating, as we think, that in some parishes there may be a real deficiency in work.

In view of these facts your Committee is fearful that this deficiency indicates more or less failure to comply with the requirements of the first rubric at the end of the Church Catechism, and of Canon 21, Title 1, of the Digest of Canons, which is as follows:

"The Ministers of this Church, who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrines, Constitution and Liturgy of the Church."

Your Committee believe that the best way to fulfill the above requirements, in these days, is through the Sunday School; and they also believe that a neglect on the part of ministers to comply with these requirements, entails loss upon the Church, and affords an excuse to parents and sponsors for carelessness and negligence in the religious instruction of the young.

As a means of awakening and renewing an interest in the Sunday School work of our Diocese, your Committee respectfully recommends that the Sunday School workers and others be convened at an early date, this fall, in a special Sunday School Convention, for the purpose of conference respecting this work, and that a Committee of three be appointed to carry this recommendation into effect. Respectfully submitted,

D. W. COXE,

FRED. E. STIMPSON.

The report was adopted, and the Chair appointed as the Committee therein suggested Rev. Messrs. Cox, Ziegler and Beatty, D. D., and Messrs. Ambrose, Todd and L. H. Root.

The discussion on the proposed amendment to Canon IV, Sec. 1, paragraph 1, line 5, was then resumed. A vote by orders was called for, which resulted as follows:

CLERGY—*Yeas*: Barry, Colton, Hickcox, Holden, Lee, Reynolds, Turner—total, 7. *Nays*: Beatty, Butler, Cox, Dooley, Holmes, Loring, Osborne, Ziegler—total, 8.

LAITY—*Yeas*: Ascension, Burlington; St. Paul's, Manhattan; Emmanuel, Monmouth; St. John's, Wakefield; St. Andrew's, Emporia; St. Paul's, Leavenworth;—total, 6. *Nays*: Grace, Topeka; St. Peter's, Osage Mission; Trinity, Lawrence;—total, 3. The amendment failed to be adopted by non-concurrence of orders.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then brought in the following, recommending that it be printed in the Journal for further information and consideration, and it was so ordered:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE III OF THE
CONSTITUTION.

"Every parish in union with this Convention shall be

entitled to send to the Convention a lay-delegate or delegates, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry. Every parish numbering twenty-five or less communicants shall be entitled to one delegate. Every parish numbering more than twenty-five, and not more than fifty communicants, shall be entitled to two delegates. Every parish numbering more than fifty, and not more than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to three delegates. Every parish numbering more than one hundred communicants shall be entitled to four delegates. The delegation from each parish represented shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to votes equal in number to the number of delegates to which said parish is entitled."

The Committee appointed to draft a Canon with reference to Mission Stations made a report, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Committee appointed to consider that portion of the Bishop's address having reference to missionary work, reported as follows, which was adopted :

Your committee to whom was committed that part of the Bishop's Annual Address which pertains to the missions of the Diocese, respectfully report that they recommend this subject to the earnest consideration of the Convention.

Your committee believe that the Diocese has an agency already organized perfectly competent to devise improvements in our financial methods and to assist the Bishop in the supervision of such work, and they recommend that the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed to devise some financial plan looking towards the better working of Mission Stations, and to put such plan into as speedy operation as possible.

They also recommend that for this purpose, and such other business as properly comes before them, the Executive Missionary Committee hold four stated meetings annually, and that with the approval of the Bishop they arrange for visits by its members to the various mission fields, in order to put into action such financial plan as they shall adopt.

T. J. WEED,
CHAS. HOLMES,
PAUL ZIEGLER.

The Secretary having asked for instructions as to what he should do in the matter of reporting communicants on the 'Abstract of Parochial Reports,' the Rev. Mr. Coxe offered the following :

Resolved, That the list of parishes in the Abstract of Parochial Reports be referred to the Standing Committee for the purpose of ascertaining whether any of the parishes therein reported should be regarded as having forfeited its connection with the Convention, according to Section 2 of Canon II; and that such parishes, if there are any, be reported to the Bishop, to be by him duly reported to the Convention in his Annual Address.

The Rev. Mr. Ziegler then moved that the title "Abstract of Parochial Reports" be changed to "Statistics of the Diocese." The motion was carried.

Mr. J. A. Halderman moved that the next Convention meet in Leavenworth. Rev. Mr. Lee moved to amend by substituting Manhattan for Leavenworth. Adopted.

On motion the Convention adjourned to 8 o'clock A. M., Friday.

EMPORIA, FRIDAY, June 7, 1878—8 A. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Bishop was assisted in the morning prayer by the Rev. Messrs. Dooley, Lee and Colton.

The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

The Rev. Mr. Loring offered the following :

The Committee to which was referred the consideration of the matter presented to this Convention by the Rev. J. J. Thompson, beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention recognizes the great importance of the work of the American Bible Society in this State, which has been described in its presence by the Rev. J. J. Thompson, District Superintendent of said Society, and would recommend to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese to co-operate with the agent in extending the circulation of the sacred scriptures in their respective parishes and missions.

H. H. LORING,
A. BEATTY,
A. TODD.

On motion of Mr. Todd, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be given to the rector, members of St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, and other friends,

for their kind hospitalities during our present session. Also to the various railroads for giving reduced rates of fare to the members of the Convention.

The President and Secretary were then authorized to print five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention.

Upon presentation by the Committee on Constitution and Canons of a Canon on Mission Stations referred to them, the Rev. Mr. Ziegler moved that the members of the aforesaid Committee be appointed a committee to present to the next Convention a general Canon on the organization of Missions. Adopted.

The Chair appointed as the Standing Committee on the Episcopal Fund, to sit during recess, Rev. D.W. Coxe, Mr. F. E. Stimpson, and Dr. T. J. Weed.

The minutes were then read, corrected and approved.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOS. H. VAIL, *President*.

C. E. BUTLER, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Once more, my brethren, we are assembled in our Annual Convention. The good hand of our God has been upon us, to protect us from danger, to aid us in our duties, and to gather us again to-day to recount His mercies and to offer our humble thanksgivings for His continued care and blessing. None of our number has been removed by death, and notwithstanding the very disastrous period through which we have been and are still passing, our main work has been substantially sustained, although but slightly enlarged. Let us be grateful for the Lord's mercies, and show forth our thankfulness in a sincere obedience to His righteous laws.

Our last Annual Convention closed on Friday, June 8th, of the last year, on which day I returned to Topeka.

On the next day I went to Emporia, where, on Sunday, June 11th, 1877, I officiated, in the morning, in St. Andrew's Church, and in the afternoon delivered the Annual Sermon, in the large hall of the State Normal School, before the pupils, graduates and officers of that institution, and a large congregation of the citizens of the town. This State Normal School is a most admirable institution, and should be promptly and thoroughly sustained by the Legislature as well as by a strong public opinion.

The following Sunday, June 17th, I attended Grace Church at Topeka in the morning, and in the evening preached the Baccalaureate Sermon in the Chapel of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

On Monday, the examinations of the College were concluded. On Tuesday forenoon there was an exhibition of the

progress of the under-graduate pupils, with compositions and recitations ; and in the evening the Annual Concert was given by the pupils. On Wednesday was the Commencement, when, after the essays by those who had completed their course of study, and an able oration or address by the Hon. W. D. Webb, of Troy, Doniphan County, six young ladies received their diplomas and graduated from the institution.

The past year since that time has been a very trying year for the College. The stagnation of business, the universal lack of money, and the wide-spread financial depression, have made the people unable to send their daughters away from their homes to school, so that the patronage of the Institution has been very much reduced and the number of boarders diminished. Our local patronage is not much affected, but the amount received from this source is so small a part of the needed income of the school that the loss of boarding pupils has involved and necessitated a serious deficit in our income. To be sure, other schools have suffered, many of them even more than ours. But our special trial is in this, that we have no outside funds to draw on, no endowment, not even to the value of one cent over and above our current receipts from pupils, to help us out in such emergencies. I have called upon my friends, who, in the midst of the pressure of their own trials, have still helped me, as they have heretofore done so liberally. I pray the dear Lord to put it into the heart of some of his children to endow this very important Institution with some funds which may be relied upon in the constantly recurring necessities of such an agency for good. Next year the roofs of these buildings must, if possible, be repainted. They needed it this year, but we could not do it. And some repairs, or some new furnishings or new apparatus are constantly to be provided for, such as our current school bills, at our necessarily cheap rates, cannot cover. A certain amount of endowment is an absolute necessity for such an Institution. May the Lord provide it for us ! Yea, in the spirit of a true faith, may we say: "Jehovah Jireh—The Lord will provide."

On the Sunday following the Commencement, June 24th, I visited, with the Missionary, the Rev. C. E. Butler, Emmanuel Church, Monmonth, Shawnee County, where I preached and administered the Holy Communion. There were none confirmed.

Sunday, July 1st, found me at Burlington, in Coffey County, where, in the morning, I opened the new Church of the Ascension, preached a sermon, baptized one infant, and administered the Holy Communion. The collection was in money and pledges, and provided for the debt remaining. In the evening, I preached again, and confirmed two persons. I am glad to report that the debt referred to has been entirely paid.

This Church has been so thoroughly repaired and improved that it is to all intents a new Church. A new roof has been put on the building, finished on the inside with open beams and rafters, and panelled between the purlines. The tower has been completed and is crowned with a neat spire, and all the surroundings are made to correspond with the improved condition of the Church. The old frame is pretty much all that is left of the former building. May the improvement in the spiritual temple be as manifest as in the material. The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., has divided his time, during the last year, between Burlington and Emporia, and is entitled to our hearty congratulations upon such results in both his parishes from his faithful ministry. I reached my home at Topeka at 2 A. M., on Tuesday, by a freight train.

On the next Sunday, July 8th, I was with the Rev. Dr. Reynolds at Junction City, where, at 9:30 A. M., I confirmed one (1) sick man on his bed at his own home, and at 11 A. M., held service in the Church of the Covenant, delivering an address and administering the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, after preaching, I confirmed four (4) persons, three of whom were of the Rector's own family, so that I could sincerely say to him, as St. John said to an elect servant of God in his time: "I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in the truth." In the evening I preached in the Post Chapel at Fort Riley.

The following Sunday, July 15th, I spent at Atchison, preaching and (in the absence of the Rector) conducting the service both morning and afternoon.

On the next day, Monday, I went down the Missouri to Leavenworth and the Fort, attending to some Church business, and returning to Atchison at night.

During the few preceding weeks arrangements had been in progress for a trip to the Rocky Mountains with Bishop and Mrs. Stevens, of Pennsylvania, and Bishop and Mrs. Perry, of Iowa. On the morning of Tuesday, July 17th, I met these dear friends at Atchison. That afternoon and night, and the next forenoon, they spent at the College, examining it in its details, and also looking at our Theological School, and seeing the foundations for scholastic work which we have been endeavoring to lay in this new country. I am very happy to say that we received their warm encomiums and hearty congratulations on what has so far been accomplished. The visit of these brethren completes the number of five Bishops who have had a view of our work.

The next seven days were occupied by our party in a trip to the Rocky Mountains, during which we visited Denver, Black Hawk, Central City, Idaho, Colorado Springs and Manitou, going out by the K. P. R. W., and returning by the A., T. & S. F. R. R. from Pueblo. We improved our Sunday, July 22d, at Denver, where we held services in the new and very large Presbyterian Church, kindly tendered to us for the day. On Saturday evening, a reception was given to us at the Episcopal residence. Bishop and Mrs. Spalding were, to our and their great regret, absent. We were the guests of the Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Church, and of their noble Rector, the Rev. Mr. Finch. We were entertained at the Bishop's house, to the ladies of whose family, and of Wolfe Hall adjoining, we were under obligations for unceasing attentions. To the two railroads referred to we desire to return our sincere thanks for their generosity. We had planned a visit to Fort Leavenworth at the polite invitation of General Pope, Commander of the Department of the

Missouri, but the breaking out of the great strike, for which the summer of 1877 will be always memorable, disappointed our plans and hurried my friends eastward. On our hasty return I left my late companions at Topeka on their way to Davenport.

On Friday, July 27th, I started for the East, passing the following Sunday at Davenport, where, as the guest of Bishop Perry, I again met my late fellow travelers, and where I preached, morning and evening, in the Cathedral. This was my first visit in this city since, three years before, I preached the sermon at the funeral of the late Bishop Lee, of that Diocese. It was my privilege to once more greet his family, residing in the city, and to renew with them a lifelong friendship.

My visit to the East was chiefly engrossed with cares and medical consultations in reference to my little invalid boy, whom I left with his mother in Boston. My Sundays and all my spare time were employed with reference to the interests of my work in Kansas.

After an absence of seven weeks I was again at Topeka for the opening of our College, and there spent two Sundays, the 16th and 23d of September, before starting a second time eastward for the General Convention.

On Wednesday, October 3d, I was present at the opening services of the General Convention, and remained in Boston until its close.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Much has been said in reference to that assemblage, and what was done and what was not done by it. And at this distance of time extended comments are not required. The spirit of that important meeting was delightful and evidently from above. What it did, was good. What it did not do was perhaps much of it for the best, although to me it was a source of extreme regret that there should not have been some authorized settlement of the principles on which the Work of Women, as Sisters or as Deaconesses, should be organized; and, also, some authoritative provision for the short-

ening of our Public Services and their adaptation to the necessities of the time. It would have been better to put these matters under the regulations of law, instead of leaving them as they are now left, in the power of every man to do "what is right in his own eyes."

THE CHURCH CONGRESS.

On the last week in October, I attended the meetings of the Church Congress, in the city of New York, and was deeply interested in the discussions. The work of our last General Convention was valuable chiefly for its discussions, and in this respect the Church Congress was its able co-operative rival. I hardly know which was the most effective. But, looking at some results, I am sure that the influence of the Church Congress upon the great practical agency of public charities, is one for which its founders are to be congratulated, and for which all ought to thank God.

On the 12th of December, I was again at home with my family, my little invalid boy rapidly declining in health.

Sunday, December 16th, I spent at Leavenworth, officiating in the Church of St. Paul in the morning, and at the Post Chapel at the Fort in the evening, returning home on Monday morning. On the next day I was again at the Fort, pronouncing the benediction at the wedding of a dear young friend, the marriage being solemnized by the Chaplain of the Post. That night I returned home.

I remained in Topeka until Saturday, the 5th of January, 1878, when I went to Lawrence and spent Sunday, January 6th, Epiphany, preaching at Trinity Church morning and evening. In the evening I presented my views on the subject of Temperance, to a large congregation. I reached home at 4 o'clock the next morning, by a freight train.

On Saturday, December 12th, our darling boy, Samuel Bowman Vail, entered into paradise, mature in intelligence and in Christian character, and leaving to us the precious hopes which Christ has imparted for His Saints, who, "through faith and patience, inherit the promises." He was buried on the afternoon of the Monday following.

The next Sunday I was at home, where I held service in the College, and made addresses both morning and evening.

On the next day, Monday, January 21st, I went to Lawrence on my way to Williamsburgh, in Franklin County, via Ottawa, to bury Mrs. Holden, the valued wife of our dear brother, the Rev. L. L. Holden. The Rev. Mr. Ziegler joined me at Lawrence and accompanied me on the trip. Late in the evening of Tuesday we reached the house of our kind host and old friend, E. M. Bartholow, Esq., formerly of Lawrence. On the next morning, Wednesday, the 23d, we met our bereaved brother and his children, with a large assemblage of neighbors and sympathizing friends, and, after services and an address at his house, accompanied the remains of our departed to the grave, reading the sweet promises and offering the fervent prayers and thanksgivings which the Church has provided for the burial of the dead. The sympathy and prayers of many are following our afflicted brother and his bereaved children in this day of their sorrow.

On our return from Williamsburgh on Wednesday, we spent the evening with one of our friends in Ottawa, where we met socially our people in that town, and united with them in a brief service of prayer and praise. On the next day I came to Lawrence, and returned that night by freight train to Topeka.

Sunday, January 27th, I was in Topeka, attending the services at Grace Church in the morning, and addressing the pupils of the College in the evening.

Sunday, February 3d, I administered the Holy Communion at Grace Church in the morning, and addressed the pupils of the College in the evening.

Sunday, February 10th, a severe snow storm, which melted immediately as it fell. Services all day in the College, at which, both morning and evening, I expounded the Scriptures, and talked to them about life and its opportunities and responsibilities.

Sunday, February 17th, addressed the pupils of the College in the evening.

Sunday, February 24th, at Abilene, in Dickinson County, where we have recently commenced services on the alternate Sundays. The Rev. J. H. Lee met me at Manhattan and went with me. He occupies one Sunday, and the Rev. Mr. Dooley another Sunday in each month, thus securing for them two Sundays in each month. On the day mentioned I preached there morning and evening, and officiated at a baptismal service in the afternoon. There seems to be a good deal of promise to this effort, to which some of the best citizens of the town have committed themselves. There is a nucleus of intelligence and influence, around which may be gathered, in due time, an able congregation in this important city and county.

Sunday, March 3d, administered the Holy Communion at Grace Church in the morning, and preached at the College in the evening.

On Ash Wednesday, March 6th, in the morning made an address in Grace Church.

Sunday, March 10th, preached at the College in the evening.

On Friday of this week, I entered upon my spring visitations, commencing them at Wichita. Some time ago there seemed to be developed a new interest among the people there. Some new families connected with the Church had moved into the city, some of them very earnest workers in her cause. There was one lady in particular, of mature age and experience, through whose gentle and judicious leading excellent results have been accomplished. There are some twenty-five Communicants and about fifty families attached to the Church in that beautiful city (for such it has come to be) of between four and five thousand inhabitants. Reaching the city at 1 o'clock on Saturday morning, the whole of that day was devoted to visiting from family to family. Twenty-six such visits were made, a faithful friend accompanying me. Sunday was indeed a day of labor and of great satisfaction blended therewith. The services were in Eagle Hall in the morning and at night, and in the large Sunday School room

under the Occidental Hotel in the afternoon. In the morning, after reading morning prayer and ante-communion service, I preached and then administered the Holy Communion to some thirty persons. From the place of worship I went to the outskirts of the city with one of the people, whose little boy was sick at her home, and there baptized the child. It was a source of much regret that this excellent Churchwoman, with her family, is about to leave for a new home in Texas. After dinner I went to the Occidental Hall, which was filled with a waiting congregation at 3 P. M. Here I made an address on the duties involved in Christian baptism, and then administered that sacrament to *ten infants* of different ages, from one to five years, and to *one adult*. At the close of this delightful service I made one or two calls more before night. In the evening, at Eagle Hall, I read the evening prayer, in the course of which I baptised one adult, making then an address on the subject of the Christian profession and of the Christian life. I confirmed a class of five (5) candidates. The occasion was a fitting close to a holy day of peculiar interest. May the Lord add His blessing for St. John's.

On Friday, March 22d, I started for Newton, Harvey County, reaching there that night. The next day I devoted myself, with the aid and the company of a lady of that parish, to visiting the members of the parish from house to house. In this way several miles were walked over in a very hot day, and sixteen visits made. In the course of the day two different services of baptism were held, admitting three (3) of Christ's little ones into His visible fold. The evening until 10 o'clock was occupied in conversation with some gentlemen of the parish on its affairs. On the following day, Sunday, March 24th, service was held in the Masonic Hall, the Bishop reading the service; no other clergyman being present, a sermon was preached and the Holy Communion was administered. In the afternoon, at the same place, in two separate services, I baptized two (2) children and two (2) adults, making an address. In the evening, in the Presby-

terian Church, kindly loaned to us for the occasion, I read evening prayer, preached, confirmed five (5) persons, and made an address. On Monday I returned home.

The Rev. Joseph S. Colton has been secured as a Missionary at these two points, and in the early part of May took up his residence at Wichita, and is expected to divide his time between Wichita and Newton; and occasionally, as he may find opportunity, to visit Winfield and Wellington, in Cowley and Sumner Counties, and to encourage the hearts of our brethren in that Southwest.

On Friday of this week I went to Atchison, on my way to Marshall County, making an address in the evening at Trinity Church. On the next day I went to Irving, where I met the Rev. Chas. Holmes, Missionary in the County, who went with me through the visitation.

On the morning of March 31st, fourth Sunday in Lent, I preached and confirmed four (4) persons, and administered the Holy Communion at Irving, in the Presbyterian Church, which was tendered to us for the purpose. There is a growth very perceptible in this place, where the Church ought to have a firm footing.

In the evening of the same day, I preached and confirmed three (3) persons, and administered the Holy Communion at Blue Rapids, in the Methodist Church, so politely put at our service. A very large congregation was in attendance. There is a more hopeful look here than for several years before.

On the next morning, early, I returned to Irving, and in the forenoon we went out to Centre township, where, in the afternoon, at Zion Church, I preached, confirmed nine (9) persons, and administered the Holy Communion. My visit to Marshall County has been more encouraging than for a long time previously. And I congratulate the Missionary on these manifest fruits of his labor.

On Thursday, I went down the Central Branch Railroad to Netawaka, in Jackson County, to meet an appointment for the evening of that day. But a severe storm had set in, the

rain was falling literally in torrents, and the country was flooded. I met, at the depot at this point, the Rev. George Turner, the indefatigable Missionary, who allows neither rain nor sunshine to keep him from his duty. Mr. T. thought it would be very difficult to gather a congregation, and that it would be best to defer the visitation. I accordingly postponed it to Monday, May 13th, and went home via Atchison and Leavenworth to Topeka, which was reached by a freight train about 3 A. M. of Tuesday.

April 7th, the fifth Sunday in Lent, I was at Junction City, where, in the morning, at the Church of the Covenant, I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I went over to Fort Riley with the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, who, as Rector, had been with me at Junction City, and preached at the Post Chapel in the evening. There were none confirmed on this visit. On Monday we went back to Junction City, and I spent the afternoon in visiting the people, making ten calls.

That evening we went up the Republican Valley Railroad to Wakefield, and rode out in the dark to St. John's parsonage, some four miles, through a drizzling rain. The next morning, Tuesday, April 9th, 1878, I consecrated St. John's Church, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds preaching the sermon. In the evening, after addresses by the Rector, the Rev. Wm. Hickcox, and by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds and by the Bishop, seven (7) persons were confirmed. It was a solemn service, and the house was crowded, and the good Rector's heart was made glad. It had been arranged for a general gathering of the parish at the parsonage for a dinner and a social reunion afterwards. But the wind blew a gale, which subsided towards night; yet, despite the gale, a goodly number were gathered together and the reunion was a happy one. This consecration of St. John's Church is the only one this year, but we hope very soon to report the consecration of another. May the Lord still bless our beloved brother in his fidelity to Christ the Master.

On the following Sunday, the sixth in Lent, I was at

Manhattan, where, in St. Paul's Church, after an address, I confirmed two (2) persons, both young disciples, who, having been baptized in their infancy by the present Rector, the Rev. J. H. Lee, were now presented by him in their mature and intelligent youth to ratify and confirm their vows and promises in the apostolic rite of Confirmation. This is the first case of the sort in the history of our Diocese, and proves that we are having some of the characteristics of a stable and progressive Diocesan life. In the afternoon of this day I baptised the youngest son of the Rector, whose eldest I had confirmed in the morning.

The following Sunday, Easter day, was appointed for my visitation at Grace Church, Topeka; but I was sick from my exposures with some inflammation of the lungs, as well as a malarial attack, and as the Rector desired more time for the preparation of his class, the visitation was deferred, to our mutual convenience, to May 24th. That evening, in the College Chapel, I baptized four (4) of our adult pupils, who desired in this Holy Sacrament to confess their Saviour's name. It was a delightful season and brought a blessing to us all. There was a beautiful appropriateness in this symbolical dying unto sin on this hallowed anniversary of our dear Saviour's resurrection from the dead.

By my physician's advice, my visitation at Parsons for the first Sunday after Easter was postponed to June 2d, the Sunday preceding the Convention, that I might have a little more time for rest and recovery from my recent illness. But a telegram came on Friday, informing me of the death of Mr. George Grant, at Victoria, in Ellis County, and asking me to attend and officiate at his funeral on the next Sunday. I could not and would not decline such a call, except from absolute inability. Accordingly, I started for Victoria, reaching that station at 2 o'clock on Saturday night. Sunday proved a rainy day, yet a large congregation gathered together from all that neighborhood to pay their tribute of respect to the memory of that lamented gentleman. After prayers at the house, distant some four or five miles from the Church, the

main were conveyed to the tasteful Gothic Stone Church at built under Mr. Grant's direction, and not yet furnished. Temporary seats had been arranged and the chancel draped black, for this sad opening of the building for its sacred use. He and I had been in correspondence in reference to the opening of the Church, and were simply waiting for the furnishings, neither of us dreaming that his burial would be the first use of it.

At 2 P. M. on that first Sunday after Easter, the procession of carriages reached the Church, and the body was carried up the aisle by the bearers, while the sentences were recited. The anthem was then said responsively. The lesson on the resurrection was read by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, who assisted the Bishop in the service. After the singing of a suitable hymn, an address commemorative of the character and work of Mr. Grant was made by the Bishop. Another hymn was sung and the body was borne to the grave, about fifty feet in front of the Church, where in due time will stand the monument to this noble founder of the Victoria Colony. While the services were in progress at the grave, the rain was falling in profusion as if the skies over those plains were in sympathy with the weeping relatives and friends for the loss of a public benefactor. I have been informed by the executor that Mr. Grant has bequeathed \$5,000 to the Bishop and his successors in office for the benefit of the Victoria Church.

Mr. Grant has set a rare example in his choice of occupation to men in his condition of life. Retiring from active business in middle age, with a large fortune acquired in the competitions of London trade, he might have devoted himself, as most persons would have done in similar circumstances, to the enjoyments of luxurious ease and social refinement. Instead of this, he saw, in the course of his extended travels this new country, and he realized its capabilities. And he at once resolved to test them. By his grand experiments on a large scale he proved the advantages of these broad plains for the raising of stock and sheep, and even for agricultural development. And he has thus opened employ-

ment for tens of thousands in a similar way over these vast areas of square miles. It was a great and successful venture for the wealth and the labor of the Old Country as well as of the New ; and I thank God that he was spared long enough to verify his views and to make his experiment a benefit to others. In toil and self-denials, when he might have had ease and self-indulgence, he exhibited his noble manhood and his Christian humanity. His name should be ever held in high respect in the State and Country of his adoption, and of his beneficence. Let the highest honor be paid to him who teaches men how and where to support themselves in independence, and who opens up and multiplies the avenues of honest industry and respectable employment to the millions of the toiling of his race. He helps the masses of the poor most effectively who shows them how to help themselves in upright and manly labor, and who introduces them to new methods and opportunities of such labor. To give money to a pauper is to keep him a pauper still, and to confirm him in his indolence and helplessness ; but to give renumeration labor to a poor man is to make industry honorable, and to elevate toil and self-denial to the dignity of respect and reverence. Such is the deserved eulogism of Mr. George Grant ; such is the lustre which adorns his memory.

On the second Sunday after Easter, May 5th, I made the visitation of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth. After an address, I confirmed six (6) persons and administered the Holy Communion. The congregation was large and the Sunday School which I briefly addressed before morning prayer was very much increased in numbers. The Rev. T. W. Barry entered upon the rectorship of this parish at the beginning of this year ; and his ministry has been commenced with a vigor and success, which furnish a happy augury for the future. May the Lord be with him and with his people !

In the afternoon of this day I was present at the laying of the corner-stone of the new Post Chapel at Fort Leavenworth, by the Post Chaplain, the Rev. John Woart.

After a delightful visit at the house of the Commander of this Department, with my wife and little daughter, we left the Post on Tuesday morning, my family returning to Topeka, and I, on leaving them at Lawrence, going down to Wyandotte.

That evening, at St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, the Rev. Mr. Buck, of Kansas City, read the service, and, after my address, presented two (2) candidates, whom I confirmed. The Rev. Mr. Buck is, for the present, giving to this congregation a service on every Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday, the third after Easter, May 12th, I was at Atchison, where I preached in the morning, and after Church addressed the Sunday School. In the evening I made an address on missions, and confirmed six (6) persons. Trinity parish is in an excellent condition, paying all its debts and parish obligations, and sustaining its Church work in its various departments.

On Monday, May 13th, I went to Netawaka, in Jackson County, accompanied by the Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity Church, Atchison. In the afternoon I conferred with the Missionary at Netawaka, the Rev. George Turner, and with some of the people. Service was read in the evening by the two Presbyters; Mr. Osborne preached, and I followed his sermon with an address. There were none confirmed. On Tuesday morning I met the Rector and the Wardens and Vestry, and some of the communicants of the parish, at the Church, where a couple of hours were spent in conversation respecting the general interests of the parish. That afternoon I returned to Atchison, and the next day to Topeka.

On Friday, I started via Kansas City for Fort Scott, which I reached at midnight in the midst of a violent thunder storm, which lasted about twelve hours, raising the Marimaton River to a height far above its high banks and to the highest point ever before known, covering all the valley of the Marimaton, with its farms and houses, like an immense lake, and destroying a large amount of valuable stock and grain and buildings over an extensive district of country. On Satur-

day the weather was too unsettled and the mud too deep, and the people too much occupied by their cares, for my usual pastoral visiting, until the evening, when, after all the agitations of the storm, the good parishioners of St. Andrew's gave me a reception, for which they had previously arranged, at the house of Mrs. McDonald, where I had the pleasant opportunity of meeting a large number of our people, and strengthening those personal acquaintances and friendships which are such important influences for good everywhere, but especially in a new country.

On Sunday, May 19th, I preached in the morning, and in the afternoon made an address and confirmed nine (9) persons, giving a charge, as is always our usage at confirmations. After this service I went to East Fort Scott and confirmed one (1) person, an invalid there (making ten confirmed in all); and afterwards visited two or three sick persons in other parts of the parish.

On the next day, Monday, May 20th, I went with the Rev. D. W. Coxe, who is the Rector of St. John's Church, Girard, as well as of St. Andrew's, Fort Scott, to the former city in Crawford county, and in the evening made an address, and confirmed four (4) persons. Mr. Coxe officiates here one Sunday in each month. There is real vitality in this little parish, and if it were possible to secure for them more frequent services with regularity there would be a rapid advance. One of the persons confirmed I had myself baptized in his childhood, some twelve years ago, at Fort Scott, at the close of the late civil war.

On Friday of this week, May 24th, I held my visitation at Grace Church, Topeka. The Rev. H. H. Loring read the service, and presented a class of twelve (12) persons who were confirmed. It included five of our girls from the College, much to the joy of my heart, as satisfying me that the influence of our school is on the side of Christ. This parish is largely recovered from its depression and is securing its share of the more recent immigration. Its ladies are at work, its

Guild is very efficient, and its Rector has every reason to be encouraged.

On Saturday I went to Lawrence, where, on the fifth Sunday after Easter, May 16th, I made an address in the morning, and confirmed four (4) persons. *Five (5) others who were expected were providentially detained. In the afternoon I attended the Sunday school and catechised the children. We went through the entire Church Catechism from the beginning to the end, and it was admirably recited, several of the children in each class, even the infant class, reciting it perfectly. On the Roll of Honor in this school are the names of twenty-one pupils, who have recited the whole of it without making a single mistake. I wish all our children could be trained in this admirable Summary of Christian doctrine, which as I study it from year to year, seems to develop new beauties, and shows itself more and more perfect in its faultless definitions, and in its fullness of evangelical doctrine. The patient watchfulness and persevering carefulness of the superintendent of this school in the music, as well as in the separate recitations of the several classes, are to be strongly commended. In the evening I preached again.

On Monday, May 27th, I went to Ottawa with the Rev. Mr. Ziegler, who officiates here as a missionary without any stipend, giving to the Church of the Holy Comforter an evening service once in two weeks. Thus this "little one" is sustained and a steady progress secured. At the visitation on Monday evening Mr. Ziegler read the service, in the Presbyterian Church, for the use of which, as on previous occasions, we are much indebted, and I preached and confirmed one (1) person, a lady, who with her husband and family, are henceforth of us. On the forenoon of Tuesday, Mr. Ziegler, in the Congregational Church, which was obligingly lent and beautifully decorated for the occasion, married a couple of his young parishioners, in which rite I assisted him, offering the prayers, and pronouncing the benediction.

* These five were confirmed two weeks later, on Tuesday, June 11th, at a special confirmation.

In the afternoon we returned to Lawrence, where, in the evening, Mrs. V. and myself here visiting our many friends in our former home, attended a reception, which had been arranged for us at the Parsonage, meeting some two hundred or more of our old friends, neighbors and acquaintances, and passing a few delightful hours in social and Christian fellowship.

On Wednesday we returned to Topeka.

On Thursday, the next day, we started for Parsons, in Labette county, via Emporia, reaching our destination about 3 o'clock on Friday morning.

Going from Parsons to Osage Mission, in Neosho county, with the Rev. J. L. Gay, who officiates at both of these places, we held service at St. Peter's on the evening of Friday, May 31st, when I preached. There were none confirmed. On Saturday morning, June 1st, we held Baptismal Service in the Church, when I baptized five (5) children. The rest of the forenoon until we left at 2 p. m., I employed in visiting, making some eight calls on different families. Of those baptized three were the children of a lady whom I baptized and confirmed and admitted to Holy Communion some ten years before at Erie, in this county. I was then making a Missionary tour through these southwestern counties, in the beginning of their settlement, when not a settler had a title to a single square foot of land, and all the settlers were squatters. I went in a private ambulance with two of my brethren (for there were then no railroads in the country), holding services, from point to point. We slept on a buffalo robe on the grass during some six weeks of that trip, and drove over the open prairie, where now stands the flourishing city of Parsons, and where then not a cabin had been erected. Such are the wonderful changes continually to be marked in this new and rapidly developing State.

Sunday, June 2d, I spent at Parsons, where, in the morning, I made an address and administered the Holy Communion; and in the evening preached. None were confirmed. On Monday morning early I attended a meeting of the vestry, and devoted the rest of the forenoon to visiting members and

families of the congregation, making some ten or twelve calls.

On the evening of Tuesday, immediately preceding the opening of this Convention, June 4th, I officiated in St. Andrew's Church, Emporia. The sermon was preached by the Rev. C. E. Butler, chaplain of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, after which I confirmed two (2) persons.

In the course of the year I have consecrated one (1) church, have baptized 30 persons—8 adults and 22 infants—and have confirmed eighty-six (86) persons at 20 separate confirmations. I have travelled 14,623 miles in the last conventional year. It seems like a small summary for so much labor. But we are working at the foundations. In future years vastly greater results will come from no more labor. The big and heavy stones are hidden in the foundations, and will be always out of sight. But the glorious and beautiful temple of the future will rest upon them,

I have now completed my Canonical Report of Visitations. There are some matters of more general interest, to which custom requires me to refer.

DEPOSITIONS.

There is one record which has come to be as regular as any other routine business, in our Episcopal addresses—that of the Deposition of Clergymen in our several dioceses. Thirty or forty years ago it was an almost unheard of thing. Now it is happening constantly, and hardly excites attention. It is very affecting that in these days, when the need of the laborers is so severely felt, so large a number should every year voluntarily withdraw from the ministry, either to go into secular callings, or to try to mend their fortunes in some other religious body, or from dissatisfaction with their work among us, or from cavilling objections to something in our ecclesiastical system, or, as in a small number of cases, to avoid or escape exposure and degradation for immoralities. I have to report that, since our last Convention, I have received notice of seventeen (17) cases, in the following order :

Rev. Samuel J. Corneille, Presbyter, by Bishop Huntington, of W. N. Y.

Rev. Luther H. Struyke, Presbyter, by Bishop Spalding, of Colorado.

Rev. Lorenzo D. Ferguson, Presbyter, by Bishop Gillespie, of W. Michigan.

Rev. Wm. Gill, Deacon, by Bishop Spalding, of Colorado.

Rev. Francis Pennington Mackall, Deacon, by Bishop Odenheimer, of N. New Jersey.

Rev. Edward Harlow, Presbyter, by Bishop Perry, of Iowa.

Rev. James S. Harrison, M. D., Presbyter, by Bishop Young, of Florida.

Rev. Robert A. Simpson, Presbyter, by Bishop Atkinson, of North Carolina.

Rev. Samuel Cutler, Presbyter, by Bishop Paddock, of Massachusetts.

Rev. Franklin W. Adams, Presbyter, by Bishop McLaren, of Illinois.

Rev. George H. Jackson, Deacon, by Bishop Quintard, of Tennessee.

Rev. Walter S. Whitcomb, Deacon, by Bishop Niles, of New Hampshire.

Rev. Edward Victor Beales, Deacon, by Bishop Robertson, of Missouri.

Rev. Jesse M. Williams, Deacon, by Bishop Howe, of Central Pennsylvania.

Rev. George Burton, Presbyter, by Bishop Morris, of Oregon.

Rev. William Newton, Presbyter, by Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania.

Rev. Nicholas J. Seeley, Presbyter, by Bishop Williams, of Connecticut.

Now, when death comes to the clergy, we mourn their loss. But it is God's doing, and we cannot complain of wrong. When, however, men leave the ministry of their own accord, as so many are constantly doing, we cannot but feel that there is something wrong, and we ought to look for the causes. 1

find that in the last five conventional years, from May 5th, 1873, to June 5th, 1878, there have been deposed eighty-five (85) of our clergy, very nearly one hundred in five years ; and that of these twenty-two (22) have been deacons, or more than one-fourth of the whole number, and that the number of deposed deacons is every year becoming larger in proportion to the whole number. Thus, from May, 1873, to September, 1874, three (3) were deacons out of twenty-two (22) deposed ; from September, 1874, to September, 1875, three (3) were deacons out of twenty-three (23) deposed ; from September, 1875, to June, 1876, two (2) were deacons out of eight (8) deposed ; from June, 1876, to June, 1877, eight (8) were deacons out of fifteen (15) deposed ; from June, 1877, to June, 1878, six (6) were deacons out of seventeen (17) deposed. It seems strange that so many men just entering into their ministry should so soon be desirous to get out of it. Is it because of carelessness in the reception or the training of candidates? Has it any connection with the comparative ease through the Aid Societies with which men are helped to the ministry as a mere profession, and without personal self-discipline or without due consideration? Or, does it in some way originate in the now almost universal method of training candidates in large Theological schools, without that pastoral knowledge and experience and that real personal conception of the work of the ministry which are required by study under a pastor's oversight, and in the midst of pastoral work? In the illustrations I have given, the large proportion of presbyters withdrawing from the ministry in 1874 and 1875 is sufficiently explained by what has been known as the Cummins' movement in those years. In the last three years sixteen (16) have been deacons out of forty (40) deposed, or a little less than one-half, considerably more than one-third—exactly two-fifths. I lay the facts before my brethren, and ask for a solution of them. If so large a proportion of our deacons leave, whither shall we look for our native presbyters? Their proportion to the whole body of clergy is becoming less and less. We are now largely dependent upon the Foreign sup-

ply, and we must look to have our ranks filled more and more from the clergy of our mother Church of England.

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM WELSH.

Since our last Convention, while we are permitted to thank God that not one of our Bishops has been taken away, and no clergyman of our own Diocese, there has occurred a death, which deeply affects our whole Church in all our Dioceses—that of Mr. William Welsh, of Philadelphia. He was a type of the true Christian worker, in behalf of children and in behalf of men and women, organizing labor and exemplifying it in all agencies of Christian charity: in the Sunday school, in Bible classes, in all lay work. He was a man whose whole heart and whose whole life were devoted to our Lord and Master. Whatever he did by word or deed, he tried to do all to the glory of God and in the name of the Lord Jesus. His influence was very valuable in his own Diocese, and in the whole Church, in all our general Missionary work, and especially in the department for the Indians. All of our Dioceses have experienced his sympathy and his generosity, but in particular has the Indian work reason to remember him, and to be thankful to him for energetic and unwearied devotion to its interests. By his persistent agency upon the government, by his sound counsel in the meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Indian Commission, by his personal visitation from time to time, and by his most liberal and munificent gifts, he had become almost indispensable to us, in the human sense, and his loss seems well-nigh irreparable. In society and in the Church, as a citizen and as a Christian, we miss him everywhere. May God comfort the mourners, and raise up for His Church other faithful laborers, to stand in the place of the lamented departed.

NEW BISHOPS.

Three new Bishops have been consecrated since our last Convention—the Rt. Rev. Samuel Isaac Joseph Scherschewsky, D. D., Foreign Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, for our Missions in China, consecrated in Grace Church, New York, on Wednesday, October 31st, 1877; the Rt. Rev. Alex-

ander Burgess, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy, in the State of Illinois, consecrated in Christ Church, Springfield, Mass., on the 15th of May, 1878; and the Rt. Rev. George W. Peterkin, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of West Virginia, consecrated in St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling, W. Va. on Ascension Day, Thursday, the 30th of May, 1878.

CHANGES IN DIOCESAN RELATIONS OF CLERGY.

I am thankful that, during the past year, I have not been called upon to give any Letters Dismissory. The Rev. C. S. Daniel has removed his actual residence to Pennsylvania, where he is engaged as Assistant to the Rev. Dr. Claxton, of St. Andrew's, W. Philadelphia.

I am equally thankful that I can report the addition to our Clergy list of three (3) clergymen—the Rev. T. W. Barry, Rector of the Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, whose Letters Dismissory from central New York, dated February 11, 1878, were accepted by me February 20th, ult.; the Rev. Joseph S. Colton, Missionary at Wichita and Newton, whose Letters Dismissory from the Diocese of Ohio, dated March 25, 1878, were accepted by me on May 29th, ult.; and the Rev. John W. Birchmore, Missionary in the neighborhood of Abilene, whose Letters Dismissory from the Diocese of Massachusetts, dated May 2d, 1878, were accepted by me only one week after date, on May 10th.

POSTULANTS AND CANDIDATES.

I am very happy, also, to state, that since our last Convention, three Postulants have been recommended to me by the Standing Committee, and have been entered on my register as Candidates for Deacon's Orders—Messrs. Alfred Brown, William Horsfall and James Newman. Messrs. Brown and Newman are now residing and studying in our Kansas Theological School, under the direction of Professor Loring and a Postulant, not yet admitted as a Candidate, One, Moses T. Belcher, is also studying under the Professor, although not residing in the institution. Mr. Horsfall, with my approval, is studying at Parsons under the Rev. J. L. Gay, whom he

assists as a Lay Reader and Catechist. Three others have also been conferring with me on the subject of a preparation for the Holy Ministry.

In these circumstances we are realizing the advantage of our Kansas Theological School. It is a great thing to have this nice and convenient building where our Candidates may be gathered and kept under competent instruction, while at the same time they acquire some practical insight into the exigencies as well as the ordinary course of the pastoral experience. I ask the Clergy and the Laity to turn the attention of our young men to this institution, and to co-operate with me in making it a blessing to our Diocese.

While thus congratulating ourselves on this prospective increase of our Ministry, I am grieved to add, that our list of Candidates has lost, since last we met, one of its number, Mr. Nicholas William Heath, by sudden death, on October 16—1877. He was a young man of much promise in many respects, gifted with qualities which warranted the expectation of much usefulness, if he had attained the office which he desired. God's will be done !

OUR DIOCESAN COLLEGE FOR GIRLS.

I must say a few words in this place about the College of the Sisters of Bethany. I wish that my brethren, both of the Clergy and Laity, could realize as I do the importance of this institution, not only for the immediate good it may do in individual cases, but in its Missionary relations to the Church in this portion of our country.

In these late hard times it has sadly lacked patronage, and it has been carried on at a considerable pecuniary loss this past year, and with great anxiety to me and much labor in providing for its necessities. It has been kept up in its integrity, almost alone in this respect among the many of our Western Educational Institutions. *effort* There must be, my brethren, with you all, to sustain it and to furnish pupils for it. If only one pupil could have been sent from each Parish, or its neighborhood, this last year, it would have saved us a large

pecuniary deficit, and would have lifted off some very heavy burdens from the heart and life of your Bishop. You must make more effort for us in the future, that the school rooms and the Chapel in our beautiful Wolfe Hall may be filled, and the College be thoroughly sustained.

MISSIONS.

I come now to the **Missionary** topic which ought never to be overlooked. All of our work is of a **Missionary** character, whether in our preaching or in our pastoral visits, in our self-supporting Parishes, or in what we call our **Missions**. The Gospel is to be preached, the Church is to be established, the organized agencies of Christianity are to be set in operation in all the various and manifold departments of educational, and of benevolent, and of charitable work. It is all **Missionary** work—that for which the Son of God was sent into the world, and for which He sends His Ministry and His Church. How much is before us, and how little are we doing? In this early history of our new State we have not yet entered upon the charitable departments, such as hospitals, asylums, and the like, except as we unite with others in a few such efforts. But we ought soon to be undertaking some such efforts for ourselves. We have done something in the educational and so far benevolent department, and to this we should give a more zealous and persevering attention. But we need to feel that what we call emphatically **Missions**—the sending of the living and speaking Ministry to preach the Gospel—is a duty which comes first and stays last, and is always parallel with every other department of Christian duty. Our General **Missionary** Boards demand our help; and every Parish in this Diocese ought to send its contributions, be they much or little, to the aid of these societies, upon which we ourselves have been so long and are now so much depending. We, in these new States and Territories, cannot always rely upon such external aid. It is a serious problem, whether we ought not to raise more in the way of Diocesan contributions, whether we ought to try to start or to maintain **Missions** at any point,

unless there is a sufficient demand for our services to secure from the people the principal part of the support of the Missionary; and whether every Missionary should not be expected as a part of his duty, as the Apostles did, to provide for his own maintenance among his people. I am proposing a new question, possibly a revolutionary question, as to the mode of Missions. Have we not departed from Apostolic practice as we find it unfolded in the New Testament? The Methodists and the Romanists, so antipodal in other respects, agree in this particular manner, and come nearer to Apostolic usage in this than we do. Everybody in their systems gives something, is expected to do liberally according to his ability, and this by systematic assessments, so that the many littles make the one much. Many of *our rich* people contribute very largely to Missions. But the smaller gifts of our poor people are not gathered as they should be. This whole topic of the modes of Missions, how to provide money, how to sustain the ministers, is worthy of deep thought and thorough examination. And I commend it to the serious consideration of the Convention.

AD CLERUM.

As I close, my brethren of the clergy, you will appreciate my words, when I say that, going as I do from parish to parish, as the years lead me around in my annual circuits, and thrown as I am so intimately among the laity, I am compelled to observe the different methods of the clergy and the effect of these upon their people, in the carrying on of their ministerial work; and comparing these one with another, I come to form very decided opinions as to the hindrances in some cases, as well as the helps in other cases, to success. I shall name four things, which in the analysis of the subject, seem to be the indispensable requisites to be combined in every clergyman. The deficiency in some one or more of these is, in almost every case, the cause of failure. When combined, they will inevitably give success.

1. The first of these is an intellectual requisite. The man must have, at the least, a fair mental ability. Without this

he ought not to enter the ministry or to stay in it. Then, whatever be the general tendency of his mind, mystical, imaginative, logical, metaphysical, he must have a *basis* of good common sense. He must look at men, and society, as they are. He must cultivate intelligible and simple ways, business and practical methods, in his parochial plans, in his pastoral intercourse, and even in his presentation of Gospel doctrine and Gospel practice. In all these parts, indeed in every part, of his ministry, he is always dealing with practical people, with men and women who, in the large majority of them, can be reached and affected permanently and profitably only through their practical common sense. In this way his plans will be feasible, his views will be comprehended, his habits will be orderly and systematic. It is well to confer with sensible lay men and lay women, to feel their pulse, to see how things strike them; not to make your plans subservient to any single individual's judgment or prejudice, but to make them effective and practicable for the many. The *gift of office* does not necessarily include the *wisdom for office*. This must come from experience and thought and prayer.

2. The second qualification to be named, is a spiritual one—simple *self-consecration* to the work. Without this there can be no gain. The people see any imperfection in this respect very certainly and very promptly. We preach a Gospel which demands of all Christ's followers a supreme devotion to the Lord Jesus. And in coming into the ministry we voluntarily take up a profession which is founded upon self-denials and self-control and self-conquest. Constant diligent labor and self-sacrifice are not only the concomitants, but the conditions of our sacred office. The people see it, however epicurean they themselves may be, if labor is shirked or if self-indulgence in any way is sought after or allowed by us. And we always fail from the great ends of our ministry in just the proportion in which we decline from the self-consecration which is involved in the holy vows assumed at our ordination. Let us frequently read over the ordination offices, and be reminded of our obligations, and renew them with

humble prayer for the Holy Spirit of Light and Unction, that we may renounce all seeking for ease, and count not our lives dear unto us, that we may finish our course with joy and the ministry which we have received of the Lord Jesus. There can be no ease for a true minister of Christ. We must not think of our rest as even possible *here*. To do so is a temptation by which we often fall. Our "*rest remaineth*." It can be only in heaven. And, I think, in not realizing this idea, many clergymen make a great mistake, and one fatal to their influence and to their comfort. They seek a change, because they have a trouble about pecuniary affairs, or a trouble about parishioners who are indifferent or meddlesome, or captious or fault-finding, as if every place has not its own trials, or as if they would throw upon some other poor brother the trials from which they themselves would escape. No, brethren, make up your minds to bear your own burdens and not to seek for ease. If you throw down one burden in one place, you must take up another burden in another place. There is no ease, no rest ever to be sought for by you, but in heaven.

3. In the third place, *Christian prudence* is very essential—prudence in speech, prudence in plans, prudence in your social intercourse with others. The care of a parish requires some of the same traits which are needed in the control of a nation—a certain capacity of statesmanship, a knowledge of the peculiarities of a people, and of the individual members—an ability to restrain one's self, to discern when to urge and when to forbear urging. There is oftentimes as much skill, and even as much energy, in not doing as in doing. A man must keep the final results of his work in mind, and be willing to sacrifice details whenever expedient. Undue haste will often interfere with ultimate advantage. There was an old heathen proverb: "The Gods move slowly," based upon the truth that the one true God of Providence is never in haste. There is time enough with Him, and for all His purposes. There is a plan and progress in all His doings. And while He did *once* instantly and suddenly *create*, yet He *ever after*

has been slowly and steadily *developing*. Development is the law, after creation, of His providential government. And so it should be with us in our efforts to advance His Church and His purposes in it. And therefore the Lord said to His first followers and the founders of His visible kingdom: "In your patience possess ye your souls." And again, through His inspiration: "Let patience have her perfect work." This was undoubtedly the thought of our Lord, when He sent forth His disciples upon their first Evangelical Mission—the model for all that were to follow—giving to them this one weighty charge as embodying all special rules: "Be ye therefore wise as serpents and harmless as doves." Do nothing wrong, nothing that may hurt others; but be very circumspect, very careful, very prudent, very wise. And when He said that "The children of this world are in their generation *wiser* than the children of light," He meant that Christians often lack prudence and so lose the benefits for themselves and for the Church which they might otherwise secure. Therefore, I press the importance of Christian prudence as one of the most valuable traits for the clergy.

4. In the fourth place, a never-failing *courtesy* must be maintained. There are often little things which are provoking, some breach of etiquette, some lack of proper respect, some unintentional or inconsiderate invasion of prerogative, perhaps some real interference with your rights. These things annoy some temperaments, and lead sometimes to a harsh reply, or to a sharp rebuke, or to a bitter comment in the absence of the offender. This ought not to be. It is but just to the clergy to say that, as a class, they are excelled by no other profession in courtesy. But even they are sometimes careless in this matter. A clergyman busy in thought may pass a parishioner or an acquaintance in the street without recognizing him, and may thus give serious offense to a sensitive person. He may visit his Sunday school and neglect to speak to a teacher who is faithfully doing her work, and whose heart would be gladdened by the kind word of the Pastor for which she has been looking and longing, or who

would be proportionally disconcerted or discouraged by his neglect. The best influence we exert is by our personal contact with our people. But it must be really contact, and never on the one hand conflict, and never on the other hand indifference. A bow to a friend, a pleasant word to a child, a patient silence where offense has been intended, a call upon the poor as upon the rich, a polite recognition of everybody to whom the clergyman has any relations, social or pastoral, a willingness to oblige, a readiness to give as to receive attentions, all these things tell, each in its place and in the measure of its effect, upon the clergyman's usefulness. True courtesy originates in love. It is a Christian attainment as well as a Christian duty. It is a Divine Grace as well as a human motive. Because the people love their Pastors, they expect the little kindnesses of a refined courtesy. And because he loves his people, the faithful Pastor will of necessity be always courteous. "Be not easily provoked," "Look not every man on his own things," "Bless and curse not," "Render not evil for evil, but overcome evil with good," "Be kindly affectioned one to another," "Be pitiful, be courteous." These are the commands of God. To observe these precepts will build up the parish, and will be the master-stroke of the Pastor.

5. And finally, my brethren, a *cheerful hopefulness* is essential. Your people do always reflect yourselves. If a clergyman goes groaning around his parish, he need not be surprised if his people groan in response. Complaining of faults does not cure them. I have thought a good deal about this, in recalling my own pastoral experience and in observing the experience of others. If a clergyman has the blues about his people, and goes among them sad and fault-finding, they will be immediately and inevitably disheartened. However badly he may feel, he must be bright in his intercourse with his people, and he must do this, not of constraint, but by cultivating the disposition of cheerfulness. God is over him and over his people. Let him trust God. His people have their own troubles, in their own struggles for daily bread, in the care

for their children, in their bereavements, in all their domestic and other anxieties. Let him not add his troubles to theirs. Let their Pastor's visits open a bright page in the monotony of their daily lives. Let him carry a loving cheerfulness with him into their homes, and into their hearts, so that they will give him a glad welcome whenever he appears. He must not look on the dark side. Anybody can see the discouragements—the people see them already. But let him look on the bright side, and show them the bright side and how to find it, for there is always a bright side to any subject, if you will look for it. Men or women who have faults have also something good about them. And so will every parish. Look for the good. Cheer up your people, and thus lead them to new efforts. You must be hopeful. There is always room for hope. And this will help you and them to duty and to success.

I have presented a few hints worth remembering, as I trust, and worth practicing.

May God forgive us all our short-comings, and help us all, people and clergy, to do His will !

APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALLEN COUNTY.

Emmanuel Mission, Humboldt, L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Families, 10.

Baptisms: Infants, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 11; removed, 1; added, 1; present number, 11.

Collections:

Diocesan Missions.....	\$ 2 50
Domestic Missions.....	2 00
Bishop's Salary.....	1 00
Contingent Expenses.....	15 00

Total collections..... \$20 50

Services have been held one Sunday a month at Humboldt, during the past year. The little parish has struggled through many difficulties and obstacles, and yet has done well in its efforts, and there is great praise especially due to one member of the parish, who, though living on a clerk's salary, has paid more than one-half of all raised in the parish.

Services have also been held by the Missionary one Sunday in each month at Coffeyville, and with great encouragement, in promise of a good class for confirmation at the Bishop's visitation.

The work at Williamsburg was commenced in January last, with monthly services, and with promise of success. The work also at Iola begun in April presents many encouraging aspects as a new Mission, and with promise of increase of communicants at the Bishop's visitation.

Station at Iola: Families, 11. Communicants, 11.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Atchison, FRANK O. OSBORNE, Rector.

Families, 82; Congregation, 351.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; Adults, 1; total, 25.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 113; on holy days, 41; on other days, 38; total, 192.

Communion, 32.

Communicants: Last reported, 86; admitted, 6; added by removal, 27; lost by removal, 3; died, 1; present No., male, 21; present No., female, 94; total, 115.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; teachers and officers, female, 14; scholars, male, 49; scholars, female, 68; total, 136.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures, choir pews, stoves, fuel, light, etc.	\$ 291 69
Salary of Rector.	1,200 00
Communion alms, (not otherwise reported)	42 47
Organist, 10 months, \$100; Janitor, \$100	200 00
Note on organ, \$100; Insurance, \$69.	169 00
Sunday school expenses	99 07
Christmas decorations	20 45

Total for Parochial objects.....\$ 2,022 68

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 32 50
Convention assessment.....	30 00
Diocesan missions.....	100 00
Christmas fund.....	5 25

Total for Diocesan objects.....\$ 167 75

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$5 00
Education of Theological students.....	5 00
St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago.....	5 00
Conversion of Jews.....	2 00

Total for general objects.....\$ 17 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings.....\$ 2,207 43

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rent, \$1,118; rent of rectory, \$108; the offertory, \$367 36; special subscriptions, \$341; Ladies' Society, \$105; Sunday school, \$68 07; Parish Missionary Society, \$100.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,500; Church, \$15,000; Rectory, \$1,500; total, \$18,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200. Sunday school library, 280 volumes.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, DANIEL W. COXE, Rector.

Families, 60; Congregation, 162.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 3; total, 12.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 75; on holy days, 6; on other days, 33; total, 114.

Communion, 16.

Communicants: Last reported, 63; admitted, 10; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 12; died, 1; present No., male, 21; present No., female, 42; total, 63.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 6; teachers and officers, female, 6; scholars, male, 67; scholars, female, 98; total, 171.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$663 93
Communion alms.....	83 85
Paid by Ladies' Society on note.....	87 15
Painting parsonage by Earnest Workers	53 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$887 98

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$30 00
Convention assessment.....	20 00
Diocesan Missions.....	50 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... \$100 00

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$2 50
Education of Theological students.....	3 50

Total for general objects..... \$ 6 00

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 993 98

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$555 35; the offertory, \$292 43; Ladies' Society, \$87 15; Society of Earnest Workers, \$53.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lots, \$1,000; Church, \$6,000; Rectory, \$2,200; total, \$9,200. Floating debt, \$40. Salary pledged to rector, \$750; arrears of salary unpaid \$468. Parish library, 19 volumes; Sunday School library, 150 volumes.

Remarks: I have officiated at Nevada, Mo., 10 times, administered the Holy Communion 5 times, the rite of Baptism 4 times, and presented for confirmation 3; at Grace Church, Cleveland, Ohio, officiated 3 times; at St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, Mass., 3 times; at St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls, Mass., 2 times; at All Saints' Church, Indianapolis, Ind., 2 times. St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, is in a much more prosperous condition than it was one year ago. See report of Mission at Girard, Crawford county.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield, REV. WM. H. HICKCOX, Rector.

Families, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4.

Communion, 15.

Communicants: Last reported, 46; admitted, 7; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 2; died, 1; present No., male, 22; present No., female, 31; total, 53.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 1; scholars, male, 7; scholars, female, 10; total, 20.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$ 235 00
Communion alms.....	6 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$241 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$20 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions.....	50 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 75 00

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$10
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Total for general objects..... \$ 10 00

Total of Expenditures and Offerings \$326 00

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$200; special subscriptions, \$76; Ladies' Society, \$50.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$240; Church, \$700; Rectory, \$600; total, \$1,540. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200. Sunday School library, 100 volumes.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, DANIEL W. COXE, Rector.

Families, 20; Congregation, 75.

Confirmed, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 24; on other days, 9; total, 33.

Communion, 5.

Communicants: Last reported, 30; admitted, 4; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 2; present No., male, 11; present No., female, 23; total, 34.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 8; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, male, 14; scholars, female, 20; total, 41.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenditures.....	\$91 50
Communion alms.....	5 00
Sunday school	27 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$123 50

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$11 50
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions.....	10 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... \$ 26 50

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings..... \$150 00

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$91 50; the offertory, \$15.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lots, \$350; Church, \$200; total, \$550. Salary pledged to Rector, \$250. Sunday school library, 50 volumes.

Remarks: The Rector officiates on the third Sunday of each month. On the other Sundays lay services are conducted by Mr. Dudley C. Flint, who has officiated regularly since Mr. John F. Messerve removed from Girard.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence, 8,500 inhabitants, PAUL ZIEGLER, Rector. Took charge 1875.

Families, 74; Congregations, 314.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 2; total, 20.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 10.

Public Services: On Sundays, 103; on holy days, 38; on other days, 83; total, 224.

Communion, public, 33.

Communicants: Last reported, 136; admitted, 5; added by removal, 9; lost by removal, 20; died, 2; dropped, 9; present male, 29; present No., female, 90; total, 119.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; teachers and officers, female, 6; scholars, male, 30; scholars, female, 53; total, 94.

Sunday School of St. Simon, the Cyrenian: Teachers, male, 10; scholars, male, 10; female, 15; total, 28.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector, interest, and other current expenses.....	\$1,617 83
Communion alms.....	61 48
Gift to sexton.....	13 00
Expenses of the Sunday School.....	20 00
Miscellaneous gifts to the Rector, about	300 00
Sinking fund.....	102 71

Total for Parochial objects..... \$2,115 02

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$28 00
Convention assessment.....	38 54
Diocesan missions.....	15 66
Christmas fund.....	10 75

Total for Diocesan objects..... \$ 92 95

General objects:

Board of Missions, by the Sunday School	
mainly.....	\$15 69
Indian Missions.....	1 11
Conversion of the Jews.....	1 26

Total for general objects..... \$ 18 06

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings..... \$2,226 03

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$655 50; special subscriptions, \$101; the offertory, \$1,056 82; Ladies' Society, \$155; alms box, \$2 71; occasional gift, \$255.

Condition of the Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$2,000; Church, \$21,000; Chapel, \$4,000; Rectory, \$3,000; total, \$30,000. Parish debt, funded, \$7,965; floating, \$1,200; total, \$9,165. Arrears of salary unpaid, nothing. Parish library, 40 volumes; Sunday school library, 150 volumes.

Remarks: In the above report of Offerings no account is taken of the work done by a committee of ladies amongst the poor, and of the offerings secured by them to further their charitable object. The Sunday school children, out of their abundance, sent a small box of toys last Christmas to one of our Indian Mission schools.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Mission of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, 3,500 inhabitants, REV. PAUL ZIEGLER, Minister in charge.

Families, 10; Congregation, 41.

Communicants: Last reported, 6; admitted, 1; added by removal, 5; present number, 12.

Marriages, 2. Confirmed, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 2; on week days, 21; total, 23.

Communions, 2.

Offerings—Objects within the Diocese.

For the support of the Services.....	\$24 00
Gifts to the Minister in charge.....	30 00
Building fund	6 55
Diocesan Missions.....	1 65

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings..... \$62 20

Remarks: Fortnightly services on alternate Wednesday evenings have been maintained for about ten months past. The services are held in the Congregational Church, kindly offered for the purpose, and have been very well attended. The Sunday services mentioned above were provided by the Rev Mr. Holden.

Station at Williamsburg: REV. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

Families, 12; individuals, 30.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3.

HARVEY COUNTY.

St. Mathew's Church, Newton, Inhabitants 1,600; Rector, COLTON, took charge May 12th, 1878.

Families, 16; Congregation, 30.

Public Services: On Sundays, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 8; present No., male, 12; female, 12; total, 14.

Condition of Parish: Value of Church lot, \$150; salary to Rector, \$200.

Remarks: The late date of my entrance upon the work of this Parish will account for the meagreness of the report at Newton is an important and promising one, new. I commenced on May 12th ult.

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, REV. J. L. GAY,

Inhabitants, 2,500.

Families, 20; Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6.

Marriages, 4. Burials, 2.

Public Services: On Sundays, 50; on holy days, 10; on other days, 6; total, 66.

Communion, 9.

Communicants: Last reported, 20; admitted, 2; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present No., male, 8; female, 13; total, 17.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers, female, 4; scholars, male, 8; scholars, female, 22; total, 34.

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings

Remarks: The condition of this Parish remains about the same as last year. It continues subject to the changes and depressions of a new railroad town. The tone of piety remains too low, but it may be rising in hearts that keep it to themselves. Altogether we are more hopeful, and determined to work harder than ever.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, THOMAS W. BARRY,
B. D., Rector.

Inhabitants, 18,000.

Families, 90; Congregation, 450.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 5; total, 13.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 5. Burials, 8.

Public Services: On Sundays, 79; on holy days, 14; on other days, 16; total, 109.

Communion, 11.

Communicants: Last reported, 78; admitted, 6; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 2; present No., male, 16; present No., female, 68; total, 84.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 7; scholars, male, 41; scholars, female, 44; total, 96.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Expenditures, salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$1,786 19
Communion alms.....	60 00
Easter offerings for Church debt.....	104 00

Total for Parochial objects.....\$ 1,950 19

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop for 1875.....	\$45 00
Convention assessment for 1875.....	30 00
Diocesan Missions.....	33 21
Balance of Convention assessment for 1877.....	29 00

Total for Diocesan objects.....\$ 137 21

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 2,087 40

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$1,498 70; the offertory, \$186 80; Ladies' Society, \$401 90.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, 600; Church, \$15,000; total, 15,600. Parish debt: Funded, \$2,000; floating, \$400; total, \$2,400. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200. Sunday school library, 250 volumes.

LYON COUNTY.

t. Andrew's Church, Emporia, REV. A. BEATTY, D. D., Rector.

Inhabitants, 4,000.

Families, 8; Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Infants, 1.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

Public Services: On Sundays, 71; on other days, 14; total, 85.

Communions, 12.

Communicants: Last reported, 26; admitted, 1; added by removal, 5; lost by removal, 1; present No., male, 7; present No., female, 22; total, 29.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, male, 8; scholars, female, 22; total, 36.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$107 36	
Communion alms	20 00	
Sunday school festivals	37 06	
Ladies' Aid Society	11 50	
Gift to the Rector	7 50	
Sunday school collections	7 50	
Total for Parochial objects	\$	190 92

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$16 00	
Convention assessment	4 00	
Diocesan Missions	7 00	
Total for Diocesan objects	\$	27 00

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 217 92

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$400; Church, \$3,000; total, \$3,400. Sunday school library, 70 volumes.

Remarks: Notwithstanding the changes, and other hindrances incident to the growth of the Church, in a town preoccupied so largely by other denominations, and although the services are only held on alternate Sundays, yet this parish has passed successfully through another year, with an evident gain in strength and influence. It has received a very slight increase from the large immigration which has flowed into the State, and on which our hopes were based of building up a vigorous parish. Perseverence in keeping up the services, and loyalty to the Church, on the part of those who profess to value her ministrations, will in a few years put the parish on a basis of success.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids, REV. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Inhabitants, 800.

Families, 9; Congregation, 80.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; total 1.

Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 2.

Public Services: On Sundays, 22; on other days, 7; total, 29.

Communions, 5.

Communicants: Last reported, 12; admitted, 3; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 6; present No., male, 2; present No., female, 9; total, 11.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$20 00	
Total for Parochial objects	\$	20 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$6 50
Convention assessment	8 00
Diocesan Missions	5 00

Total for Diocesan objects.....\$ 19 50

For general objects:

Domestic Missions	\$3 10
Foreign Missions	3 10

Total for general objects.....\$ 6 20

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 45 70

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$14 50; the offertory, \$6 20; special subscriptions, \$25.

Condition of Parish.—Salary pledged to Rector, \$50.

Zion Church, Centre Township, REV. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Inhabitants, 250.

Families, 15; Congregation, 25.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 37; on other days, 1; total, 38.

Communion, 11.

Communicants: Last reported, 25; admitted, 11; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present No., male, 20; present No., female, 13; total, 33.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$62 50
Communion alms	1 85

Total for Parochial objects.....\$ 64 35

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$17 20
Convention assessment	3 00
Diocesan Missions	10 00

Total for Diocesan objects.....\$ 30 20

For general objects:

Domestic Missions	\$ 2 00
Foreign Missions	1 82

Total for general objects.....\$ 3 82

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 98 37

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$80 50; the offertory, \$12 50; special subscriptions, \$5 28.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church, \$2,000; total, \$2,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$100.

Trinity Church, Irving, REV. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Families, 13; Congregation, 24.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 4. Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 48; on holy days, 3; on other days, 8; total, 59.

Communion, 14.

Communicants: Last reported, 14; admitted, 4; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 1; present No., male, 7; present No., female, 14; total, 21.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Expenditures	\$ 50 00
Salary of Rector and other current expenses	115 00

Total for Parochial objects	\$ 165 00
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Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$ 8 00
Diocesan Missions	35 00

Total for Diocesan objects	\$ 43 00
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For general objects:

Christmas fund	\$2 10
Domestic Missions	1 00
Foreign Missions	1 00
Education of Theological students	5 00

Total for general objects	\$ 9 10
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Total of all Expenditures and Offerings	\$ 217 10
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Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$143; the offertory, \$19 39; special subscriptions, \$55.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$50; total, \$50. Salary pledged to Rector, \$100.

Mission Church, Marysville, REV. CHAS. HOLMES, Rector.

Inhabitants, 800.

Families, 13; Congregation, 40.

Public Services: On Sundays, 4.

Communicants: Present No., male, 3; present No., female, 4; total, 7.

Condition of Parish: Salary pledged to Rector, \$100.

The Whole Mission, CHAS. HOLMES, Missionary.

Inhabitants, 8,000.

Families, 58; baptized individuals, 233.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 5; total, 20.

Confirmed, 16. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2.

Public Services: On Sundays, 115; on holy days, 3; on other days, 18; total, 136.

Communion, 31.

Communicants: Last reported, 58; admitted, 20; added by removal, 23; lost by removal, 12; died, 1; present No., male, 37; present No., female, 51; total, 88.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Expenditures	\$ 50 00
Salary of Rector and other current ex-	
penses	205 50
Communion alms	1 85

Total for Parochial objects\$ 257 35

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$34 70
Convention assessment	11 00
Diocesan Missions	50 00

Total for Diocesan objects\$ 95 70

For general objects:

Christmas fund	\$2 10
Domestic Missions	6 10
Foreign Missions	5 92
Education of Theological students	5 00

Total for general objects\$ 19 12

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings\$ 372 17

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$238; the offertory, \$38 18; special subscriptions, \$96.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$50; Church, \$2,000; total, \$2,050. Salary pledged to Rector, \$350.

Remarks: This summing up of the statistics of the Marshall County Mission, is given in order to include some items not given in Parish reports. The Mission is in a hopeful condition. Other places in the County are asking for the services of the Church in addition to the four now regularly supplied.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, GEO. W. BURCHARD,
Warden.

Inhabitants, 3,000.

Families, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 25; died or removed, 5; total, 20.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current ex-	
penses	\$355 68
Communion alms, (applied to various	
Missions)	10 00
Contingent expenses	25 00

Total for Parochial objects\$ 390 68

Objects within the Diocese:		
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$12 00	
Diocesan Missions.....	10 00	
Total for Diocesan objects.....	\$	22 00
For general objects:		
Domestic Missions.....	\$3 00	
Foreign Missions.....	2 00	
Total for general objects.....	\$	5 00
Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....	\$	418 08

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$200; the offertory, \$25 08; special subscriptions, \$95 50; Ladies' Society, \$35 10.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$500; Church, \$2,000; total, \$2,500. Arrears of salary unpledged, \$10 00.

Remarks: The Rev. L. L. Holden resigned the rectorship, on the last of December, 1877, in consequence of the ill health of his wife, who has since deceased. The Parish is now vacant.

Missionary Station, Coffeyville, L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

Families, 20; individuals, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 3; total, 7.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 5; removal, 1; present No., 4.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:		
Collections.....	\$2 00	
Domestic Missions.....	2 00	
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$	4 00

NEOSHO COUNTY.

— Church, Osage Mission, REV. J. L. GAY, Rector.

Inhabitants, 900.

Families, 12; Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; total, 6.

Public Services: On Sundays, 22; on other days, 6; total, 28.

Communion, 5.

Communicants: Last reported, 18; admitted, 1; lost by removal, 3; present No., male, 3; total, 16.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 5; scholars, male, 8; scholars, female, 12; total, 27.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:		
Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$35 00	
Communion alms.....	6 00	
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$	71 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$9 50
Diocesan Mission....	1 06

Total for Diocesan objects..... \$10 55

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 81 55

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$100; Church, \$800; total, \$900. Salary pledged to Rector, nothing—takes what is given after each monthly service, usually from \$4 00 to \$6 00. Parish library, 35 volumes.

Remarks: This Parish (or Mission, as it ought to be called) remains about the same; or if any change is noted, it is that the congregations are larger. Much of the stability and character belonging to St. Peter's, Osage Mission, are due to the faithful Warden, Mr. S. S. Warner, and to other members of his family.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY.

St. James' Mission, Leghorn, REV. CHAS. HOLMES, Missionary.

Families, 4; Congregation, 20.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; total, 3.

Public Services: On Sundays, 2; on other days, 2; total, 4.

Communion, 1.

Communicants: Present No., male, 2; present No., female, 4; total, 6.

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$3 00
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Total for Diocesan objects.....\$ 3 00

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings\$ 3 00

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, REV. J. H. LEE, Rector.

Inhabitants, 8,000.

Families, 30; Congregation, 100.

Baptisms, 14.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.

Public Services, 71.

Communion, 12.

Communicants—Last reported, 48; admitted, 2; admitted by removal, 5; lost by removal, 6; died, 7; present number, 42.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 7; scholars, male, 15; scholars, female, 25; total, 50.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:		
Expenditures	\$631 25	
Salary of Rector and other current ex- penses	373 65	
Total for Parochial objects	\$	1,004 90
Objects within the Diocese:		
Salary of the Bishop	\$ 33 00	
Convention assessment	10 00	
Diocesan missions	22 82	
Total for Diocesan objects	\$	65 82
For general objects:		
Domestic missions	\$21 35	
Foreign missions	5 00	
Total for general objects	\$	26 35
Total of all expenditures and offerings	\$	1,097 07

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property, \$5,000.

Remarks: This report includes ministrations at out lying stations in Riley County as well as those in St. Paul's Church, Manhattan. A majority of the baptisms were at Ogden, where, with lay help, services have been held weekly for almost a year.

SALINE COUNTY.

Christs' Church, Salina, REV. THOS. B. DOOLEY, Rector.

Inhabitants, 2,070.
 Families, 45; Congregation, 150.
 Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 10; total, 26.
 Confirmed: No visitation. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4.
 Public Services: On Sundays, 106; on holy days, 8; on other days, 15; total, 129.
 Communion, 16.
 Communicants: Last reported, 50; admitted, 6; added by removal, 9; lost by removal, 6; died, 2; present No., male, 24; present No., female, 33; total, 57.
 Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, male, 20; scholars, female, 31; total, 55.
 Library volume, 48.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:		
Salary of Rector and other current ex- penses	\$248 65	
Repairing Church edifice	188 60	
Chancel chairs	40 00	
Sunday school	10 00	
Total for Parochial objects	\$	487 25

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$20 00
Convention assessment.....	10 00
Diocesan Missions.....	20 00

Total for Diocesan objects.....\$ 50 00

or general objects:

Christmas fund.....	\$14 30
Domestic Missions.....	4 00

Total for general objects.....\$ 18 30

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....\$ 555 55

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, free; regular subscriptions, \$262 25; the offertory, \$68 30; special subscriptions, \$10; Ladies' Society, \$260 69; contributions presented Rector, \$30; balance in treasury, \$45 69.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, 00; Church, \$1,500; total, \$1,900. Parish debt: Funded, none; tal, not a penny. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500; arrears of lary unpaid, \$300; Parish library, none; Sunday school library, volumes.

Remarks: Missionary work at Abilene organized a Parish med St. John's, and had a vestry, which is prepared to present air petition for acceptance into union with the diocese the pres-t Convention. I held service and preached 17 times, baptised -2 infants and 4 adults—ministered Communion 4 times—mar-ages, 1—burials, 2. At Brookville I held service and preached 3 nes, baptised 7—3 adults and 4 children. Buried one young an.

THOS. B. DOOLEY,

Rector Christ's Church, Salina.

SEDGWICK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wichita, Rev. Jos. S. COLTON, Rector.

Inhabitants, 4,200.

Rector took charge May 12th, 1878.

Families, 40; Congregation, 100.

Public Services: On Sundays, 4.

Communions, 1.

Communicants: Last reported, 10; present number, about 30.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 7; female, 5; olars, 75.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, 00; total, \$200. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200. Sunday School rary, 75 volumes.

Remarks: I have but lately assumed charge of this promising d, and it has been without a Missionary for a long time past, 1 is practicably a new Mission. So that my report is necessarily agre.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Emmanuel Church, Monmouth Township, C. E. BUTLER, Rector.
Took charge October, 1873.

Families, 17; Congregation, 40.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; total, 2.

Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 26; on holy days, 1; total, 27.

Communions, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 23; present No., male, 10; present No., female, 13; total, 23.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, 3; scholars, 15; total, 18.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Communion alms, elsewhere accounted

for for Sunday school \$2 50

Total for Parochial objects..... \$2 50

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop..... \$12 00

Diocesan missions..... 2 50

Total for Diocesan objects..... \$ 14 50

For general objects:

Foreign Missions—Mexico..... \$15 00

For debt of Board of Missions..... 2 15

Total for general objects..... \$ 17 15

Total of all Expenditures and Offerings..... \$34 15

Remarks: On the Sunday alternating with those in which I reserve Monmouth Church, I have begun to hold services at Mission Creek Township school house. These are very well attended. The field is quite promising.

Grace Church, Topeka, H. H. LORING, Rector.

Families, about 80.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 6; total, 13.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 6. Burials, 7.

Communicants: Last reported, 120; admitted, 12; added by removal, 20; lost by removal, 5; died, 2; present No., 145; Grace Church Guild, 25; Ladies Parish Aid Society, 75.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 7; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, 71; total, 82.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses..... \$1,125 00

Communion alms, not included in special collections or appropriated..... 23 00

Easter offerings..... 54 00

Sunday school..... 25 55

Ladies' Aid Society..... 95 06

Total for Parochial objects..... \$1,322 61

Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$66 00
Convention assessment.....	39 00
Diocesan Missions.....	50 00
Christmas fund for aged Clergy.....	15 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	\$ 170 00
For general objects:	
Domestic Missions.....	\$ 5 00
Foreign Missions.....	5 00
Indian Missions.....	8 00
Home Missions to Colored People.....	5 00
Education of Theological students.....	26 00
American Church Missionary Society...	8 00
Hayti.....	5 00
Mexico.....	5 00
Total for general objects.....	\$ 67 00
Total of all Expenditures and Offerings.....	\$ 1,459 61
Condition of the Parish.—Value of Church property: About \$15,000. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,216.	

REV. J. W. BIRCHMORE.

Having learned by your letter to me in May that I had then been received by you into this Diocese from that of Massachusetts, I have to report that during my brief canonical residence here, I have officiated four Sundays, during two Sundays of which I assisted Rev. Messrs. Dooley and Lee, and also preached four sermons at the request of churchmen in this place.

JOHN W. BIRCHMORE.

REV. JOHN WOART.

I would respectfully report to the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, that since the meeting of the Convention of the Diocese in the city of Atchison, in June last, I have continued to perform ministerial duties at this post, as a Chaplain in the U. S. army.

Baptisms, 17. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 20.

It is with great pleasure that I state that on the 7th day of May of the present year, I laid the corner-stone of a Chapel at this post. We expect that it will be ready for use early in the coming autumn.

JOHN WOART, Presbyter.

Ft. Leavenworth, Ks., June 5, 1878.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

PLACE.	COUNTY.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR MISSIONS.	BAPTISTS			COMMUNICANTS			S. SCHOOL			CONTRIBUTIONS.									
			Families	Individuals.	Infants.	Adults.	Total	Marriages	Burials	Last reported.	Added.	Died or Removed	Pres.No.	Teachers	Scholars	Total	Com-mu-ni-cation Alms.	Objects within the Parish.	Objects in the Dioc-ese	Gen'l Objects	Totals.
Atchison	Atchison	Trinity	82	351	24	1	95	4	4	86	33	4	115	19,117	136		\$ 2,022 68	\$ 167 75	\$ 17 00	\$ 2,207 43	
Blue Rapids	Marshall	St. Mark's	9	80	1	1	3	5	1	12	5	6	11				20 00	19 50	6 20	45 70	
Burlington	Coffey	Ascension	15	25	6	2	8	9	1	44	14	6	5	9	125	134					
Centre-Township	Marshall	Zion								25	14	6	5				64 35	30 20	3 82	98 37	
Cedarvale	Howard	Mission								6			5								
Chetopa	Labette	St. Paul's								6			7								
Clear Fork	Marshall	Mission								1			1								
Coffeyville	Montgomery	Mission	20	20	4	3	7	1	1	16			16				2 00	2 00		4 00	
Ellsworth	Ellsworth	Holy Apostles								1			1								
Emporia	Lyon	St. Andrew's	8	50	1	1	2	2	2	24	6	1	20	6	30	36		190 92	27 00		217 92
Eureka	Greenwood	St. Thomas								20			15								
Fort Leavenworth	Leavenworth	Post Chapel								15			15								
Fort Scott	Barber	St. Andrew's	60	162	9	3	12	10	5	43	13	13	63	12,165	177		887 93	100 00	6 00	993 93	
Fort Riley	Riley	Post Chapel								23			23								
Girard	Crawford	St. John's	20	75				4		30	6	2	34	7	34	41		123 50	26 50		150 00
Iola	Allen	Mission	11							11	1	1	11								
Humboldt	Allen	Emmanuel	10							11			11				15 00	3 50	2 00	20 50	
Independence	Montgomery	Epiphany	20							25		5	20				300 08	23 00	5 00	418 08	
Irving	Marshall	Trinity	13	24	6	2	8	4	1	14	8	1	21				165 00	43 00	9 10	217 10	
Junction City	Davis	Covenant								22			22								
Lawrence	Douglas	Trinity	74	314	18	2	20	4	2	136	14	32	119	14,108	122		2,115 02	92 95	18 06	2,226 03	
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. Paul's	90	450	8	5	13	6	5	78	6	2	84	11	85	96		1,980 19	137 21		2,087 40
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	St. John's								14			14								
Leghorn	Pottawatomie	St. James	4	20	3					14			14								
Manhattan	Riley	St. Paul's	20	100						48	7	13	42	10	40	50		3 00			3 00
Marysville	Marshall	Mission	13	40						23			23								
Monmouth	Shawnee	Emmanuel	17	40	2					23			23								
Netawaka	Jackson	Christ								23			23								
Newton	Harvey	St. Matthew's	16	30						7			7								
Oskaloosa	Jefferson	St. Mark's								7			7								
Osage Mission	Neosho	St. Peter's	12	50	6					18	1	3	16	7	20	27		71 00	10 55		81 55
Ottawa	Franklin	Holy Comforter	10	41						14			14								
Parsons	Labette	St. John's Mem.	22	50	5	1	6	4	2	20	3	6	17	6	30	36		60 55	1 05		62 20
Salina	Salina	Christ	45	150	16	10	26	3	4	50	15	8	57	7	51	58		487 25	50 00	18 30	555 55
Solomon Valley	Mitchell	Mission								7			7								
Topeka	Shawnee	Grace								13	12	7	32	11	71	82		1,322 61	170 00	67 00	1,454 61
Wakefield	Clay	St. John's	20	60						40	11	3	54	3	17	20		241 00	75 00	10 00	326 00
Wamego	Pottawatomie	St. Luke's								4			4								

APPENDIX C.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

BISHOP VAIL, TREASURER, *In account with Contributors to Diocesan Missions.*

1877-78.		DR.
To balance on hand, as per last Journal.....	\$302 45	
To cash from Trinity Church, Atchison.....	100 00	
To cash from Marshall County Missions.....	37 50	
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	50 00	
To cash from Grace Church, Topeka.....	50 00	
To cash from Clay County Mission, Wakefield.....	40 00	
To cash from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	33 21	
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	22 40	
To cash from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	15 66	
To cash from Christ Church, Salina.....	14 00	
To cash from St. John's Church, Wichita.....	10 15	
To cash from St. John's Church, Girard.....	10 00	
To cash from Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	7 50	
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	7 00	
To cash from St. Matthew's Church, Newton.....	3 70	
To cash from Mission at Williamsburg.....	3 69	
To cash from Emmanuel Church, Humboldt.....	3 50	
To cash from St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	1 05	
Total.....	\$711 81	
Amount actually received since last Convention.....	\$409 36	
1877-78.		CR.
By cash paid to Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox in quarterly payments, to July 1st, 1878, in Clay County.....	\$100 00	
By cash paid to Charles Holmes, in Marshall County, in quarterly payments, to July 1st, 1878.....	100 00	
By cash paid to Paul Ziegler, for traveling expenses for Missionary services at Ottawa, Franklin County.....	22 40	
By cash paid rent of Eagle Hall at Wichita, in March.....	3 00	
By cash paid to Rev. Jos. S. Colton, on account of salary, at Wichita, St. John's Mission.....	50 00	
Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	436 41	
Total.....	\$711 81	
Amount actually expended since last Convention.....	\$275 40	

APPENDIX D.

TREASURERS REPORT.

J. W. FARNSWORTH, TREASURER, in Account with Parochial Assessment for Support of Episcopate.

1877.	Receipts.	Dr.	1877.	Debitments	Cr.
July 13	To Cash balance in Treasury.....	\$ 8 00	Sept. 25	By cash paid Bishop Vail.....	\$ 8 00
Dec. 14	" Clear Fork per Holmes.....	1 00	Dec. 14	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	2 50
Dec. 14	" Zion Church.....	2 50	Dec. 15	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	2 00
Dec. 14	" St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	2 00	1878.		
Dec. 29	" Christ.....	6 00	Feb. 14	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	28 50
1878.			Feb. 19	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	45 00
Feb. 14	" Trinity.....	22 50	May 23	" " paid Bishop Vail.....	24 50
March 9	" St. Paul's.....	45 00	June 5	" " Balance in Treasury.....	119 50
May 2	" Christ.....	4 50			\$224 70
May 14	" St. John's.....	20 00			
May 31	" St. Mark's.....	6 50			
May 31	" Trinity.....	8 00			
May 31	" Zion.....	15 00			
May 31	" St. James'.....	3 00			
June 4	" Christ.....	3 00			
June 5	" Grace.....	12 00			
June 5	" Grace.....	15 00			
June 5	" St. Paul's.....	50 00			
		\$224 70			
June 5	" Balance in Treasury.....	\$119 50			

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J. W. FARNSWORTH, TREASURER, In Account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.

1877.	Receipts.	Dr.	1877.	Disbursements.	Cr.
July 13	To balance cash in Treasury	\$221 12	Aug. 7	By cash paid F. P. Baker & Sons, to apply on print- ing Journal	\$221 00
Dec. 14	To cash Post Fort Leavenworth, Rev. Woart	5 00	1878.		
Jan 16	" Grace (Church Topeka)	1 00	Feb. 27	" paid F. P. Baker & Sons balance on print- ing Journal	27 39
Feb. 25	" St. Paul's " Manhattan	13 00	Mch. 19	" paid Lloyd W Wells, Treas. Gen. Convent'n ..	60 00
Feb. 14	" St. Andrew's " Fort Scott	10 00	April 24	" paid Lloyd W Wells, Treas. Gen. Convent'n ..	20 00
Feb. 28	" St. Andrew's " Emporia	4 00	May 10	" paid Rev. C. E. Butler for postage	4 50
March 6	" Christ " Salina	8 00	June 5	" balance in Treasury	102 82
March 19	" St. Paul's " Leavenworth, O. S.	29 00			
March 19	" St. Paul's " Leavenworth	30 00			
March 19	" Ascension " Burlington	10 00			
April 23	" Trinity " Atchison	30 00			
May 3	" Christ " Salina	2 00			
May 21	" St. Mark's " Blue Rapids	8 00			
May 31	" Zion " Centre Township	3 00			
June 5	" Grace " Topeka	36 55			
June 5	" Grace " Topeka	9 95			
June 5	" St. Paul's " Manhattan	10 00			
June 5	" Post Fort Leavenworth	5 00			
		\$435 62			\$435 62
June 5	" balance in Treasury	\$102 82			

SUPPLEMENT TO TREASURER'S REPORT.

AMOUNTS PAID SINCE CONVENTION.

1878.		Conven- tion Fund.	Bishops Salary.	Total.
June 8	Emmanuel Church, Humboldt		\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00
" 8	St. John's " Wakefield	\$ 5 00	50	5 50
" 8	Ascension " Burlington	1 00	9 00	10 00
" 8	St. Andrew's " Emporia	1 00	9 00	10 00
" 8	St. John's " Wichita	5 00	10 00	15 00
" 8	Emmanuel " Monmouth		12 00	12 00
" 8	St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons	5 00	11 50	16 50
" 8	St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission		9 50	9 50
" 8	Church of the Epiphany, Independence		13 00	13 00
" 8	St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott	10 00	30 00	40 00
" 8	St. John's " Girard	5 00	4 00	9 00
" 8	Trinity " Lawrence		22 50	22 50
" 8	St. Paul's " Leavenworth		4 50	4 50
" 10	Christ " Netawaka		4 50	4 50
" 13	St. John's " Girard		7 50	7 50
" 8	Church of the Covenant, Junction City	5 00	11 00	16 00
" 19	St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids		1 00	1 00
" 19	Trinity " Lawrence	11 00		11 00
" 20	St. Matthew's " Newton		6 50	6 50

APPENDIX E.

MEMORANDA FOR ORGANIZING A PARISH.

TO BE ADMITTED INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE
DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

1. Let the persons, men and women, who propose to associate as a Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church, sign the following articles of association; and said articles must be signed by at least five men not under twenty-one years of age:

“ We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families, and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of the Parish of —— Church, —— (name of city or town), County of ——, State of Kansas, and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese of Kansas.”

These articles, with the names signed to them, should be preserved in the archives of the Parish, and a copy should also be recorded in the beginning of the book of records of the Parish and Vestry meetings. Such a book should be at once secured. A Clerk or Secretary should also be elected.

2. When the articles of association are signed, a meeting of the signers should be called to elect a “Vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall, whenever practicable, be communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen.” The Vestry should also elect a Clerk and keep a book of records. The same book will answer for both the Parish and Vestry. It is desirable that the Clerk of both Parish and Vestry should be the same person.

3. The Parish, being thus organized, must become incorporated according to the laws of the State of Kansas, as contained in chapter 23 of General Statutes of 1868.

SKETCH OR FORM OF A CHARTER.

CHARTER OF ——— CHURCH, ——— TOWN OR CITY.

1. The name of this corporation is—say, *St. John's Church, Leavenworth*. (The name may be taken from any Divine name, or any holy person, or sacred event, or religious principle, in the New Testament, as, for instance, Christ Church, Trinity Church, St. Matthew's Church, Church of the Ascension, Church of Faith, etc).

2. The purposes of this corporation are the worship of God and the preaching of His Gospel, according to the formularies and usages, the creeds and doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the State and Diocese of Kansas.

3. The place where the business of this corporation is to be transacted is, say, *the City of Leavenworth, Leavenworth county*.

4. The term for which this corporation is to exist is of ninety and nine years, and so long as this corporation can carry out the purposes of its organization.

5. The number of the directors or trustees of this corporation are two Wardens and seven (five or three) Vestrymen; and the names of those who are appointed for the first year are A. B., Senior Warden, and C. D., Junior Warden, and E. F., G. H., I. J., K. L., M. N., O. P., Q. R., Vestrymen, all residents of *the city of Leavenworth*, and of whom all (or three, namely, I. J., K. L., and M. N.) are citizens of this State.

6. This corporation owns property estimated at ——— dollars, in lots ———, a Church building, and ———, etc. Or, this corporation, as yet, owns no property which can be estimated, but hopes in due time to own a Church building and any other property which may be necessary or convenient in carrying out the purposes of its existence.

GENERAL STATUTES OF THE STATE OF KANSAS BEARING ON THE INCORPORATION OF A CHURCH.

CHAPTER XXIII—CORPORATIONS.

ART. II. Sec. 6. "A charter must be prepared setting forth: *First*, The name of the corporation. *Second*, The purpose for which it is formed. *Third*, The place or places where its business is to be transacted. *Fourth*, The term for which it is to exist. *Fifth*, The number of its directors or trustees, and the names and residences of those who are appointed for the first year; and, *Sixth*,

the amount of its capital stock, if any, and the number of the shares into which it is divided."

Sec. 8. "The charter of an intended corporation must be subscribed by five or more persons, three of whom at least must be citizens of this State, and must be acknowledged by them before an officer duly authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds."

Sec. 9. "Such charter shall thereupon be filed in the office of Secretary of State, who shall record the same at length in a book to be kept for that purpose, and retain the original on file in his office. A copy of the charter, or of the record thereof, duly certified by the Secretary of State, under the great seal of the State, shall be evidence of the creation of the corporation."

Sec. 10. "The existence of the corporation shall date from the time of filing the charter, and the certificate of the Secretary of State shall be evidence of such filing."

ART. XIV. *Sec. 122.* "Any religious society * * * * may, by the consent of a majority of its members, become bodies corporate under this act, by filing the charter required by this act, electing directors or trustees, and performing the things as are directed in the case of other corporations; and, when so organized, shall have all the powers and privileges, and be subject to all the restrictions in this act contained, for the objects named in the charter, and shall have the same power to make by-laws for the regulation of their affairs as other corporations. Such directors or trustees shall not usurp or exercise the functions of the officers in charge of the spiritual affairs of any society."

Sec. 123. "No religious, literary, scientific, industrial, benevolent or other society, association, company, corporation or institution, that does not have a capital stock, will be required, in its charter, to make any statement of the amount of capital stock or amount of each share; but such charter, if it contains the other statement therein required, and also an estimate of the value of the goods, chattels, lands, rights and credits owned by the corporation, will be sufficient."

The Parish having thus been organized, and its officers elected, *then:*

4. At a Parish or Vestry meeting, let delegates—not more than three—be appointed to attend the next following Convention, and let these delegates bring with them written evidence from the Wardens, or *especially from the Clerk*, and also from the Missionary or Minister, when there is one, that the conditions, heretofore specified, have been complied with.

The following extracts from the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Kansas illustrate the foregoing directions:

ARTICLE XII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS, AS CHANGED AND ADOPTED IN 1868.

ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

New Parishes may be admitted into union with this Convention, on motion, by a majority of votes: *Provided*, That they shall have laid before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens or by the Clerk, that they accede to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and that they are duly organized according to the articles of association adopted by this Convention, and that said articles have been signed by at least five men not under twenty-one years of age, and that the Parish has been duly incorporated in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

CANON II.

ATTENDANCE AT THE CONVENTION.

It shall be the duty of all Clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every Church or congregation in union with the Convention, to send to the same one or more lay delegates, not exceeding three, who shall be baptized persons, and shall be chosen by the Parish to be represented, or by its Vestry, and evidence of the election of lay delegates shall be a certificate, signed by the Clerk of the Parish or of the Vestry, or by the Wardens, or by the Minister, in substance as follows:

This is to certify that, at the annual meeting of the Parish (or at a meeting of the Vestry) of ——— Church, in ———, held on the ——— day of ———, A. B., who is a baptized person, and a member of the said Parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be holden at ———, on the ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord ———.

(Signed).

CANON IV.

ELECTIONS AND DUTIES OF WARDENS AND VESTRIES.

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each Parish an election of a Vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall, whenever practicable, be communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall be of the male electors in the Parish.

In case there be no meeting, or no election, on the day above named, the Rector, the Warden, or any five electors, may call a Parish meeting for such election, notice of which meeting shall be given at a public service on the Lord's Day, or by three written notices of the same, posted in the town or city, for at least three successive days, one of which notices shall be posted on the door of the Church or place for holding public services; and until a new Vestry is elected, the existing Wardens and Vestry shall continue in office.

The electors shall be communicants of the Parish, and also members of the congregation who have attained their majority, and who have been, except in the case of the organization of a Parish, and at the first election, regular or habitual attendants upon the public worship and services of the Church, for at least three months preceding the election, and who, during the year preceding, have contributed to the support of the same. Only the electors present at any meeting shall vote, and no proxies shall be received. If any question shall arise as to the right of any person to vote as a communicant, the Rector, if there be one, or in his absence, or in a vacancy in the rectorship, the Wardens shall decide it; and as to the right of any person not a communicant, the existing Vestry shall decide it. No person shall be counted as a communicant, until he or she has actually communicated in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Other qualifications, not inconsistent with this section, may be prescribed by the several Parishes, and this Canon shall not affect the existing rules of Parishes already received into union with this Convention, under special constitutions.

SEC. 2. At their first meeting, the Vestry shall appoint a Clerk, whose duty it shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Vestry, and to record them in a book, and to do such other acts as usually belong to the clerks of corporations. They shall also elect, if the Parish have failed to do so at the Annual Meeting, a Senior and a Junior Warden. In all Vestries into which less than five Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, one of the Wardens, in the order of seniority shall preside. In all Vestries into which five or more Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, a Warden, or in the absence of both Rector and Wardens, a chairman, *pro tem*, elected by the body, shall preside.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to elect the Rector, to fill vacancies in their own number, to take charge of the property and to transact the temporal business of the Parish, and to discharge, in the absence of the Wardens, the special duties of those officers.

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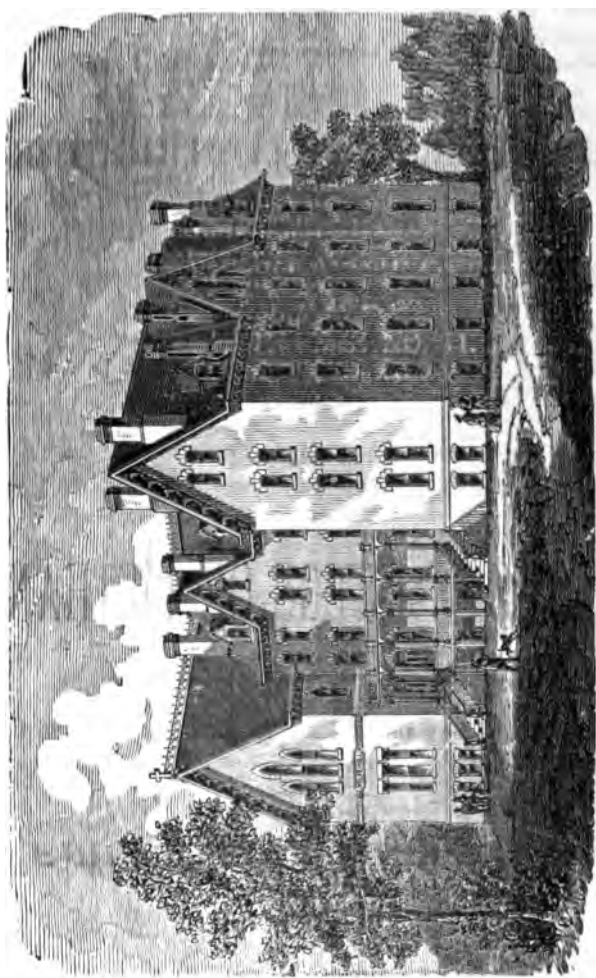
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APPENDIX F.

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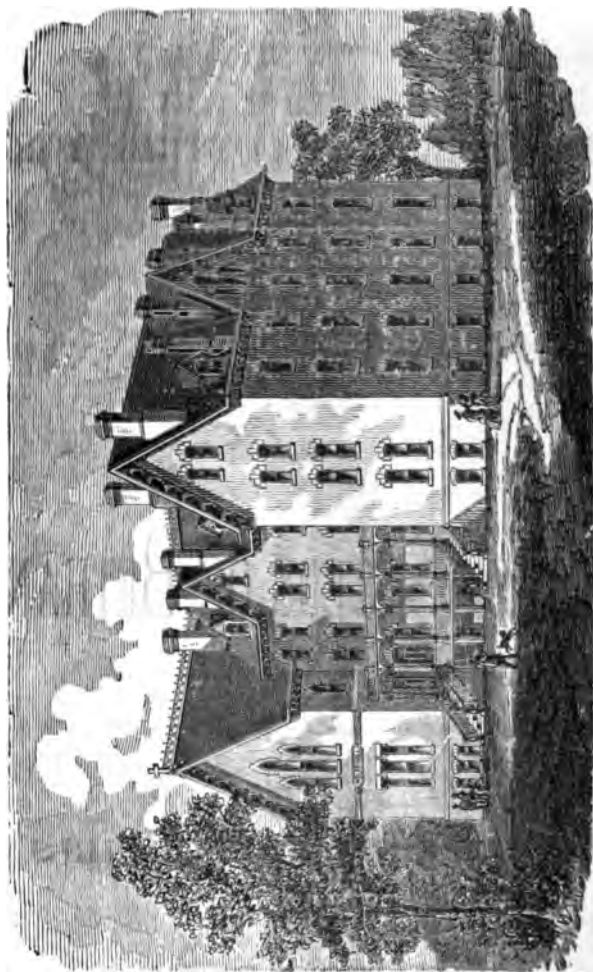
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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Because of errors in the figures last year, this account is inserted in the present Appendix thoroughly corrected.

RECEIPTS.

John D. Wolfe, New York.....	\$18,000 00
*Miss C. L. Wolfe, New York.....	6,000 00
William Holmes, Pittsburg.....	7,500 00
Robert H. Ives, Providence.....	5,400 00
Mrs. C. L. Spencer, New York.....	3,600 00
Mrs. Nathalie E. Baylies, Taunton.....	3,000 00
John F. Sheafe, New York.....	2,750 00
Stewart Brown, New York.....	2,500 00
John Bohlen, Miss Bohlen, Mrs. Bohlen, Philadelphia.....	2,450 00
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ray, New York.....	2,250 00
Mrs. R. E. Rainsford and sisters, Misses Louisa and E. A. Dean, New York.....	2,200 00
An unknown lady and friend, per Bishop Hare.....	2,000 00
Mrs. N. Thayer, Boston.....	1,000 00
Miss Mary Bowman, Philadelphia.....	1,000 00
Bishop Vall, Topeka.....	1,000 00
Mrs. E. L. B. Vall, Topeka.....	1,000 00
Charles Wheeler, Philadelphia.....	600 00
Mrs. Mary Jackson, Pittsburgh.....	550 00
Mrs. Mary H. Brunot, Pittsburgh.....	500 00
Asa Otis, New London.....	500 00
Asa Whitney & Sons, Philadelphia.....	500 00
Rev. John Bakewell, Topeka.....	500 00
Mrs. Crawford Allen, Providence.....	500 00
Mrs. M. B. Ives, and her daughter, Mrs. Russell, Providence.....	500 00
James M. Brown, New York.....	500 00
Howard Potter, New York.....	500 00
George B. Grinnell, New York.....	500 00
Mrs. E. H. Colt, Hartford.....	500 00
Miss Louisa Beard, Pittsburgh.....	400 00
J. H. Lane and Miss Lottie Lane, New York.....	375 00
George Kemp, New York.....	350 00
Mr. and Mrs. Rowse Babcock, Westerly, R. I.....	300 00
Woodbury G. Langdon, New York.....	300 00
Daniel Huntington, New York.....	250 00
A. G. P. Dodge, New York.....	250 00
Adam Norrie, New York.....	250 00
William B. Crocker, New York.....	250 00
Arthur W. Benson, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	250 00
Rev. Arch. M. Morrison, Philadelphia.....	250 00
E. H. Butler, Philadelphia.....	250 00
John B. Jackson and sisters, Pittsburgh.....	250 00
John Carter Brown, Providence.....	250 00
<i>Amount Carried Forward.....</i>	<i>\$11,775 00</i>

*NOTE.—Several of the contributors on this list, as well as others whose names are not here, have contributed liberally to other benevolent and missionary objects in the Diocese of Kansas. But no such gifts are credited here, as this statement is confined to contributions for the single object of the building of the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$84,562 85
Donation per the Rev. A. P. Stryker, Baltimore.....	185 30
Donation per the Rev. Dr. Houghton, Church of the Transfiguration, New York	150 00
Donation per the Rev. C. E. McIlvaine, Christmas offering, Sunday School of St. John's Church, Norristown, Pa.....	72 43
Donation per Lemuel Coffin, Esq., an Easter offering, Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.....	120 00
Donation per the Rev. W. B. Morrow, Thanksgiving offering, St. Stephen's Church, Milburn, N. J.....	120 00
Donation per the Rev. S. E. Appleton, Missionary Society, Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia.....	50 00
Donation per the Rev. Dr. Babcock, (Wm. R.) Missionary offering, St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain, Mass.....	50 00
Donation per the Rev. A. B. Carter, Easter offering, Church of the Holy Saviour, New York.....	100 00
Collections or parts of collections from the following churches: Trinity Church, Washington; St. John's Church, Norristown; St. Mark's Church, Frankford; St. Mark's, St. Luke's, Epiphany, St. Stephen's, Trinity Chapel, Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia; Christ Church, Germantown; St. John's and Christ Church, Elizabeth; St. John's, Yonkers; Church of the Heavenly Rest, of the Incarnation, of the Holy Communion, of the Ascension, Calvary Church, and Chapel of St. Luke's Hospital, New York; St. Thomas' and St. John's, Taunton; St. James', Boston Highlands; St. Paul's, Brookline; St. Paul's College, Concord; St. James', New London; Church of the Reformation, and Christ Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; St. Peter's, Baltimore; Holy Trinity, New York; Holy Trinity, Philadelphia; Christ Church, Chustiana Hundred, Del.; Christ Church, Bay Ridge, L. I.; Pelham Priory, N. Y., and from other sources.....	2,906 63
Donation from Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, a balance of some funds left in his hands, subject to his discretion, about two-thirds of the gift applied by me on this account.....	575 00
	<u>\$88,534 11</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Architect's elevations and working plans, and percentage of Superintendent	\$1,625 00
Fees of lawyers, securing titles of lots, redeeming tax titles, other taxes, insurances, etc., as per details in account.....	2,930 44
Cost of collections, printing, photographing, electrotyping, traveling, etc., Interest on loans, while waiting for funds, during the progress of the work	634 79
Additional attachments, or extras, necessary to the suitable use of the buildings, as wind wheel, plumbing, elevator, furnices, stoves, lighting rods, gas piping, range, speaking tubes, etc.....	442 40
Besides the above, some furnishings, as bedsteads, mattresses, pianos, organs, pillows, blankets, sheeting, table linen, bureaux, wash stands, chairs, crockery, knives and forks, spoons, some carpeting, etc.....	1,320 00
Work on grounds, leveling, fencing, trees and tree planting, some walls, out-houses, carriage ways, foot walks, etc.....	2,462 57
The entire cost of the buildings, college with chapel, stone laundry with domestics' dormitories, stone barn, etc., etc.....	2,206 35
	<u>\$8,813 64</u>
Total.....	<u>\$88,534 11</u>

APPENDIX G.

Committee respectfully report that they have examined the report and find it correct. They would recommend the following for the ensuing year, and call attention to the amounts due for past

CONVENTION ASSESSMENT.	Assessment 1879.	Due 1877.	Due 1878.
.....	\$ 5 00	.....	.....
y.....	32 00	.....	.....
Mark's.....	3 00	.....	.....
ension.....	10 00	.....	\$ 10 00
p. Zion.....	3 00	.....	.....
Andrew's.....	10 00	.....	4 00
th Post.....	5 00	.....	.....
Andrew's.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
th's.....	21 00	.....	10 00
Epiphany.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
Church of the Covenant.....	10 00	.....	10 00
Church of St. Paul.....	32 00	.....	.....
St. John's.....	5 00	4 00	.....
ity.....	21 00	.....	11 60
Paul's.....	10 00	.....	.....
manuel.....	5 00	.....	5 00
St. Peter's.....	3 00	.....	.....
m's.....	5 00	.....	5 00
.....	10 00	.....	.....
.....	32 00	.....	.....
ohn's.....	5 00	5 00	.....
Paul's.....	3 00	5 00	3 00
.....	5 00	5 00	.....
e.....	\$250 00	\$24 00	\$ 73 60

FOR BISHOP'S SALARY.	Due 1877.	Due 1878.	Due 1879.
ty.....	.....	.....	\$ 43 00
Mark's.....	.....	2 00	6 00
ension.....	\$ 18 00	9 00	12 00
.....	.....	1 00	3 00
ip. Zion.....	.....	.....	12 50
y Apostles.....	.....	.....	2 50
Apostles.....	8 00	4 00	8 00
Andrew's.....	7 00	9 00	13 00
th.....	15 00	7 50	6 00
.....	10 00	2 50	14 50
Andrew's.....	.....	30 00	31 50
th's.....	.....	11 50	15 00
manuel.....	.....	.....	5 50
Epiphany.....	.....	16 00	10 00
.....	.....	.....	7 00
Church of the Covenant.....	.....	11 00	11 00
Church of St. Paul.....	.....	.....	39 00
St. John's.....	.....	.....	7 00
ty.....	.....	65 00	68 00
Paul's.....	.....	.....	24 00
manuel.....	.....	14 00	11 50
.....	.....	.....	4 00
st.....	5 00	8 00	11 50
Mark's.....	.....	2 50	3 50
St. Peter's.....	.....	1 00	9 00
Comforter.....	.....	.....	3 00
hn's.....	.....	11 50	12 50
.....	.....	.....	25 00
.....	60 00
.....	5 00	5 00
m's.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
ike's.....	50	4 00
Paul's.....	8 00
John's.....	50	23 00
.....	\$ 68 00	\$216 50	\$523 50

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REFERRED TO CONVENTION OF 1879.

A general Canon on Mission Stations

APPENDIX H.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

This report is printed here, out of its place, because it arrived after all the rest of the Journal had been printed in readiness for the binders.

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to present the following report:

Stated services are held in the Diocese by eighteen Presbyters, at forty points, the entire number of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese, excluding the Bishop, being twenty-one. There twenty three churches, three of which, viz: St. John's, Leavenworth, and the churches at Oskaloosa and Eureka are not in use. One Parish, Lawrence, has a chapel and schoolroom in addition to the church, and our young ladies' college has a beautiful chapel. Seven Parishes, viz: Atchison, Lawrence, Topeka, Wyandotte, Fort Scott, Parsons and Wakefield, have Rectories; but two of these, viz: those at Atchison and Topeka, have not lately been occupied by the Rectors. Three churches, viz: Atchison, St. Paul's, Leavenworth, and Manhattan, have pipe organs—the last mentioned having been added during the past year. The Church owns property in twenty-eight Parishes and Missions valued at \$131,325, on which there is indebtedness amounting to \$11,500—this latter being confined to the two Parishes of Trinity, Lawrence, and St. Paul's, Leavenworth. Valuing the property of Bethany College at \$100,000, and that of the Kansas Theological School at \$20,000, both unincumbered, we have Church property in the Diocese whose total estimated value, beyond indebtedness, is \$239,825. The Kansas Theological School has four students. The Diocese is to be congratulated on some improvement in the above figures. We have a larger force of clergymen at work, an increased number of points at which Church services are regularly maintained, and there are but two vacant Parishes, viz: Independence and Wyandotte—the latter being temporarily supplied from Kansas City.

The triennial reports made by the Diocese to the recent General Convention of our Church enable us to make some valuable comparisons, which we present without presuming to draw any inferences from them. The following table of baptisms and confirmations for the three years, not including the past, (whose statistics we have not had the opportunity to collate), and the ap-

pendent enumeration of Sunday School scholars in our different Parishes and Missions will be found of interest. For the purpose of easy comparison with the general average of our Church, percentages only are given, the percentage of baptisms and confirmations for the period of three years being reckoned on the basis of the number of communicants reported three years ago, while the percentage of Sunday School scholars takes as its basis the number of communicants reported at its own corresponding time. viz: a year ago.

	Per cent. of baptisms for 3 years.	Per cent. of persons confirmed for 3 years.	Per cent. of Sunday school scholars in 1877.
Atchison	46	42	136
Blue Rapids	30	10	—
Burlington	22	16	271
Cedar Vale	17	17	—
Center Township	100	47	80
Emporia	65	45	154
Fort Leavenworth	220	0	—
Fort Riley	75	0	—
Fort Scott	54	40	247
Girard	76	76	150
*Independence	19	6	—
Irving	100	125	—
Junction City	32	18	—
Lawrence	40	34	102
Leavenworth, St. Paul's	24	11	96
Manhattan	22	18	98
Monmouth	0	3	130
Netawaka	87	56	—
Osage Mission	53	63	94
Parsons	39	48	120
Salina	380	136	69
Topeka	31	20	63
Wakefield	74	53	30
Wyandotte	155	77	—
Diocese of Kansas	40	26½	70
The Church in the United States	47	28	89½
Diocese of Wisconsin	54	40	89
" Illinois	56	39	92
" Missouri	50	27	71
" Iowa	38	21	104
" Minnesota	68	35	109
" Nebraska	54	24	103
Jurisdiction of Colorado	169	48	115
" Nevada	155	40	331
The Church in the eight foregoing Western States	56	31	95½

* Two years only.

We beg leave to note that the average of results maintained Western Dioceses and Missionary jurisdictions whose general condition is similar to that of Kansas, seems to be higher than general average of the Church at large. The reduced percentage of Kansas as a whole comes from the facts—1. That a large proportional number of feeble Missionary points are included in estimate. 2. That the small amount of general Missionary aid furnished to the Diocese, makes it simply impossible to develop opportunity. And 3. That the depressed financial condition of the State for some years past to the present has sadly embarrassed our attainable standard would, however,

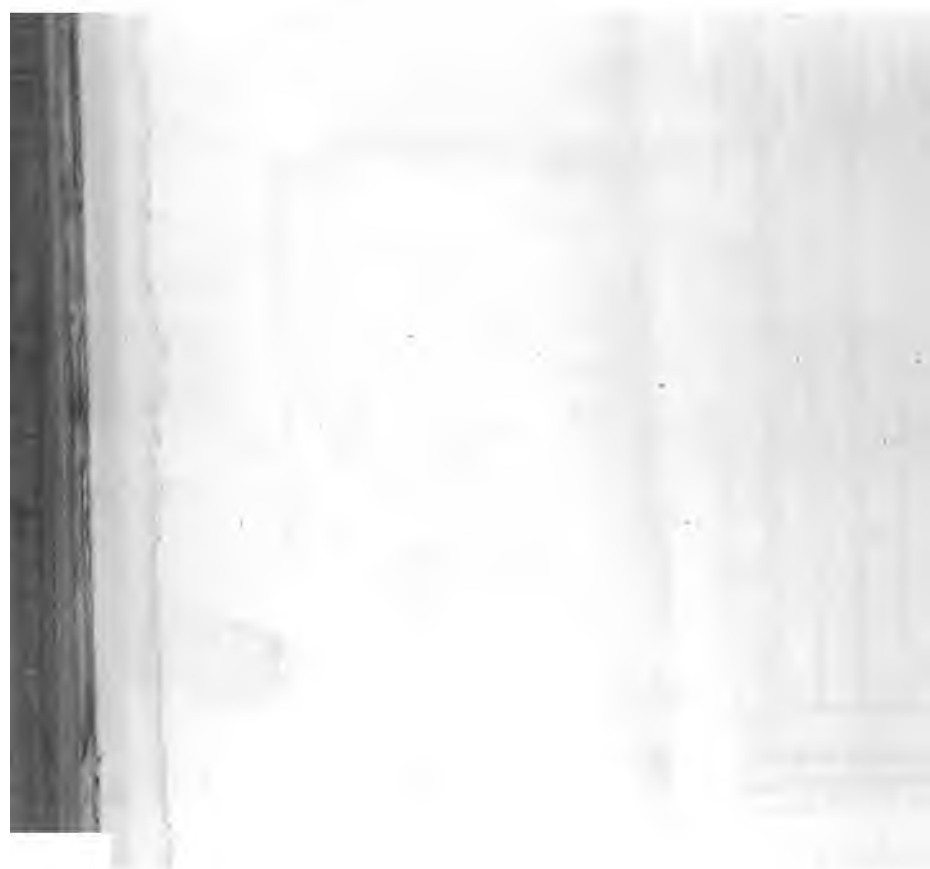
is higher than that of the old settled communities of the East,
and for the reason that the work of our clergy is not so largely
concentrated to communicants and their families.

Respectfully submitted.

L. L. HOLDEN,
CHAS. HOLMES,
PAUL ZIEGLER,
AMBROSE TODD,
H. G. BEATTY,

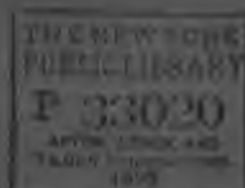
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Committee on the State of the Church.



NOTICE.

The Twentieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Kansas will be in St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, on the last Wednesday, June, A. D. 1879



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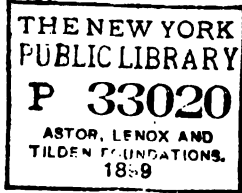
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LIST OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS
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PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ORGANIZED PARISHES, IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION, AND
HAVING CHURCH BUILDINGS.

Trinity Church.....	<i>Atchison.</i>
Church of the Ascension.....	<i>Burlington.</i>
Zion Church.....	<i>Center Township.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Coffeyville.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Emporia.</i>
St. Andrew's Church.....	<i>Fort Scott.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Girard.</i>
Church of the Epiphany.....	<i>Independence.</i>
Church of the Covenant.....	<i>Junction City.</i>
Trinity Church.....	<i>Lawrence.</i>
Church of St. Paul.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
Church of St. John.....	<i>Leavenworth.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Manhattan.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Monmouth.</i>
St. Mark's Church.....	<i>Oskaloosa.</i>
St. Peter's Church.....	<i>Osage Mission.</i>
St. John's Memorial Church.....	<i>Parsons.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Salina.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Topeka.</i>
St. George's Church.....	<i>Victoria.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wakefield.</i>
St. John's Church.....	<i>Wichita.</i>
St. Paul's Church.....	<i>Wyandotte.</i>

ORGANIZED, HAVING CHURCHES, BUT NOT YET IN THE
CONVENTION.

St. Thomas's Church.....	<i>Eureka.</i>
Christ Church.....	<i>Netawaka.</i>

ORGANIZED, WITHOUT CHURCHES, AND NOT YET IN THE
CONVENTION.

Church of the Messiah.....	<i>Council Grove.</i>
Church of the Holy Apostles.....	<i>Ellsworth.</i>
Emmanuel Church.....	<i>Humboldt.</i>
Grace Church.....	<i>Garnett.</i>
St. Matthew's Church.....	<i>Newton.</i>
Church of the Holy Comforter.....	<i>Ottawa.</i>

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT AND VOTE IN THE CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Topeka.

The Rev. T. W. Barry, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.

The Rev. Thomas Burrows, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, and of the Church of the Messiah, Council Grove.

The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Independence.

The Rev. John W. Birchmore, Missionary near Abilene.

The Rev. Alfred Brown, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, and Missionary at Monmouth.

The Rev. J. Thompson Carpenter, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington.

The Rev. Jos. S. Colton, Rector of St. John's Church, Wichita.

The Rev. Geo. P. Comings, Rector of St. John's Church, Girard.

The Rev. Thos. B. Dooley, Rector of Christ Church, Salina.

The Rev. Benjamin Hartley, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.

The Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Rector of St. John's Church, Wakefield.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville, and Missionary on the L. L. & G. R. R.—P. O., Williamsburg.

The Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary in Marshall County—P. O., Irving.

The Rev. Reese P. Kendall, Missionary near Beloit—P. O., Beloit.

The Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity Church, Atchison.

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., Post Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.

The Rev. R. C. Talbott, Rector of St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, and of St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.

The Rev. George Turner, Missionary in Brown County.

The Rev. John Woart, Post Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash, residing at Lexington, Mo.

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION AND DIOCESE.

BISHOP--RT. REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, D. D., LL. D., Topeka.

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Assistant Secretary—THE REV. THOMAS BURROWS, Emporia.

Treasurer—MR. J. W. FARNSWORTH, Topeka.

Registrar—MR. T. C. VAIL, Topeka.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Fort Riley; Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Independence; Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Wakefield; Rev. F. O. Osborne, Atchison; and Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, Lawrence; S. W. Stone, Topeka; A. G. Otis, Atchison; and Ambrose Todd, Manhattan.

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Messrs. John Woart, J. H. Lee, T. W. Barry, Thomas Burrows, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, F. E. Stimpson, J. W. Farnsworth, and T. C. Vail.

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The Rev. Drs. Reynolds and Beatty, the Rev. Messrs. Comings and Carpenter, and Mr. Fred. E. Stimpson.

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JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,
MANHATTAN, KAN., June 4, 1879. }

This being the time and place for holding the Twentieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in St. Paul's Church at 10 o'clock A. M., for the celebration of Divine Worship.

Morning Prayer was said through the Psalter by the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., the Rev. G. W. Morrill read the Lessons, and the Rev. G. P. Comings said the Prayers to the Litany. The Bishop said the Litany, and, being assisted by the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., read the Ante-Communion Service. The Rev. Geo. Turner preached from Romans, X., 14, 15. •

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted by Rev. Messrs. Reynolds and Comings.

The religious exercises being concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

On motion, the Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., was elected Secretary *pro tempore*.

The Secretary, from a list furnished by the Bishop, called the names of the clergy canonically resident in the Diocese, as required by Canon I., when those present entitled to seats answered to their names.

The certificates of lay delegates were then laid on the Secretary's table and referred to the following committee: Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and J. H. Young.

The Convention then took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 4, 1879—3 P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications reported as follows:

That they have carefully examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons reported by him are canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention, in accordance with Section 2, Article III., of the Constitution of this Diocese:

CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D.D., LL.D.

The Rev. T. W. Barry.

The Rev. Archibald Beatty, D.D.

The Rev. John W. Birchmore.

The Rev. Alfred Brown.

The Rev. Thomas Burrows.

The Rev. J. T. Carpenter.

The Rev. Joseph S. Colton.

The Rev. G. P. Comings.

The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley.

The Rev. Benjamin Hartley.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox.

The Rev. L. L. Holden.

The Rev. Charles Holmes.

The Rev. Reese P. Kendall.

The Rev. J. H. Lee.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne.

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D.

The Rev. Richard C. Talbot.

The Rev. George Turner.

The Rev. John Woart.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

They have examined also the certificates of lay delegates, and find the following persons duly elected:

Atchison, Trinity Church—A. G. Otis, C. E. Styles, W. S. Greenlee.

Abilene, St. John's Church—

Burlington, Ascension Church—H. McAllister, H. G. Beatty, B. L. Kingsbury.

Coffeyville, St. Paul's Church—T. B. Eldridge, J. M. Heddens.

Emporia, St. Andrew's Church—David Plumb, J. Jay Buck, J. H. Young.

Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church—

Girard, St. John's Church—D. C. Flint.

Independence, Church of the Epiphany—C. Billings, Jr., G. W. Burchard, I. B. Ziegler.

Lawrence, Trinity Church—Thos. Yarnold, F. E. Stimpson, Samuel Reynolds.

Leavenworth, Church of St. Paul—L. G. Hopkins, Jas. G. Graham, S. Gregory.

Manhattan, St. Paul's Church—Ambrose Todd, Wm. Lee, Charles Little.

Monmouth, Emmanuel Church—James Parsons.

Osage Mission, St. Peter's Church—

Parsons, St. John's Memorial Church—Charles H. Schilling, S. W. Kniffin.

Salina, Christ Church—R. T. Watson, B. A. McAlaster, S. M. Palmer.

Topeka, Grace Church—F. W. Giles, C. C. Kellam, S. W. Stone.

Victoria, St. George's Church—Thomas F. Miller.

Wakefield, St. John's Church—F. Lewin, W. A. Willis, Jas. H. Young.

Wichita, St. John's Church—Henry W. Davis, Martin Hellar.

Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church—W. W. Van Ness, Dr. Fred. Speck, Charles Erickson.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. A. Brown was elected, and the Rev. Thos. Burrows was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The chair then appointed the following standing committees:

On Admission of New Parishes—Rev. W. H. Hickcox, Rev. Geo. Turner, Rev. T. B. Dooley, Messrs. James H. Young, William Lee.

On Constitution and Canons—Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rev. T. Burrows, Messrs. Ambrose Todd, F. W. Giles.

On the State of the Church—Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. G. P. Jennings, Rev. R. C. Talbot, Mr. S. W. Stone, Chas. Little, D.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. T. W. Barry, Messrs. Chas. Schilling, James Parsons.

On Finance—Rev. F. O. Osborne, Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, Edgington Billings, Jr.

The Rev. F. O. Osborne offered the following:

Resolved, That the clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church from other Dioceses, and candidates for Holy Orders, be invited to seats in this Convention.

The resolution was adopted, and the Rev. F. R. Holeman of Missouri, the Rev. G. W. Morrill of Illinois, and Mr. Wm. Horsfall took seats in the Convention.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

The Rev. A. Beatty, D.D., moved that so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Cathedral at Topeka be referred to a committee of five, to report at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning such action as may be deemed expedient to be taken by the Convention.

The motion was adopted, and the chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Beatty, the Rev. J. H. Lee, the Rev. F. O. Osborne, Messrs. F. W. Giles, Ambrose Todd.

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes reported in favor of the admission of St. Paul's parish, Coffeyville, which, on motion, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Rev. Jos. S. Colton inquired in reference to the relationship of St. John's, Wichita, to the Convention, there being no evidence that the necessary steps had been taken to bring it into union with this Convention. After explanations by the President, and considerable discussion on the matter, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds moved that St. John's Church, Wichita, be admitted into union with this Convention. Carried.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds moved that that portion of the Bishop's Address concerning parishes forfeiting their connection with this Convention be referred to a committee of three.

The chair appointed the Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. W. H. Hickcox, Mr. C. Billings, Jr.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, chairman of a special committee appointed last year, offered the following Canon on Missions:

Persons desirous of the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church in any town, city, or rural neighborhood, in the State of Kansas, may make application to the Bishop to be organized as a mission. The following shall be the mode of procedure with the form and obligation:

Reverend Father in God, We the undersigned, residents of _____, county of _____, desirous of obtaining the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and ready according to our ability to sustain the same, do hereby ask you to appoint a

Mission at this place, and to provide for Public Services as you may deem expedient.

We agree to put ourselves under your charge, promising conformity to the doctrine, discipline and worship of said Church, to the Constitution and Canons of the same, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Kansas.

Furthermore, we contract and agree to raise among ourselves and pay to the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Kansas, every year, such contribution as may be assumed by us as our *minimum* toward the stated salary of the missionary who may be sent to us. And we now agree for the first year to pay in quarterly installments the amount, at least of ——— dollars.

This application shall be signed by all of legal age who propose to become members of the Mission.

If the Bishop consent to the above request, he shall appoint the following officers for the first year, and after that, annually in Easter week: Two church-wardens, one or more vestrymen, a treasurer, and a clerk.

The Missionary shall be appointed by the Bishop and confirmed by the Executive Missionary Committee.

DUTIES OF THE WARDENS, TREASURER AND CLERK.

The duties of the Wardens shall be the same as the Wardens of parishes as specified in Section 4, Canon IV, of the Diocese of Kansas. In the absence of the Missionary the Senior Warden shall be the presiding officer.

The duty of the Treasurer shall be to collect or receive all moneys contributed by the Mission, and to remit or disburse them in accordance with the rules of the Executive Missionary Committee.

The duty of the Clerk shall be to keep a record of meetings and events of importance to the Mission, and a list of its families and members; to have the custody of the register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, etc., if the Missionary be non-resident. But he shall make no entries therein unless requested so to do by the Missionary or Wardens. He shall attend promptly to any correspondence required by or for the Mission.

Realty or other property donated to, or purchased by, the Mission shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese and his successors in office, to be held in trust until a parish is organized within the corporate limits of the Mission.

Whenever a Mission Station, thus organized, shall number twenty or more actual communicants, and shall pledge \$300 for the support of a Rector, then the said Mission shall be authorized to organize as an independent parish.

The Mission duly organized shall report at the time of the Annual Convention through the Missionary, or if there be no Mis-

sionary in charge, through its Lay Reader, or through the Clerk of the Mission.

Each Mission shall be entitled to send one lay delegate to every Diocesan Convention of the Diocese, to be elected in accordance with Sec. 3, Art. III, of the Constitution; said delegate shall have a seat and voice in Convention, but shall not be entitled to vote, except when the vote is taken *viva voce*.

On motion, the above Canon was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Committee on the Episcopal Salary made the following report:

The Committee appointed to aid in the collection of assessments on communicants, respectfully transmit herewith a copy of the Lenten Circular, issued by them to the communicants of the Diocese; and they desire to call the attention of the Convention to the impaired condition of the Episcopate Fund, that the most earnest effort on the part of the whole Diocese may be made to supply our Bishop with salary pledged to him, which must fall far short of his needs without such effort. We suggest that the standing resolution on the subject be corrected so as to read "that a committee of three be appointed by the chair," and reprinted in the Journal of this Convention for reference in the coming year.

FRED. E. STIMPSON.

T. J. WEED.

The foregoing report was, on motion, adopted by the Convention. The Standing Resolution, as amended by the adoption of the report, will read as follows:

"That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, with power to sit during the recess of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to prepare, during or before the season of Lent in each year, a printed circular, addressed to the communicants of the Church in this Diocese, to be sent by the rector or minister in charge, or by the lay-reader, or by the wardens if no rector, of each parish or station, to every communicant or family of communicants, which can thus be reached in the Diocese; also, the committee is to send to every rector, minister, lay-reader or warden, competent to oversee the matter, a sufficient number of the above-mentioned circulars, with any written instructions as to the use of them which the committee may deem necessary; also, to take any other steps looking to the full collection of the annual assessments upon the communicants of any parish or station. The circular above mentioned to contain full information as to the condition of the endowment fund, the withdrawal of missionary aid, the necessity of providing a larger support for our Diocesan, and the importance of action by the Diocese through its individual communicants."

The chair appointed the following Committee on the Episcopal Salary, to act in the collection of assessments for the coming year: Rev. Thos. Burrows, Rev. Benjamin Hartley, Mr. F. E. Stimpson.

The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee has held seven meetings since the last Convention, as follows:

1. At the first meeting, October 24, 1878, the Committee organized by electing the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., President, and the Rev. Paul Zeigler Secretary.

2. At the second meeting, October 25, 1878, it authorized the payment of bill for the printing of circulars to communicants of the church in the Diocese, relative to assessments for the Bishop's salary. It also recommended to the Bishop Mr. Alfred Brown for ordination to the Diaconate only at the close of the year of candidateship required by the Canon.

3 and 4. The third and fourth meetings, held November 20 and 21, 1878, respectively, were adjourned, no quorum being present.

5. At the fifth meeting, held November 22, 1878, consent was given to the ordination of Mr. Alfred Brown to the Diaconate at any time after December 1, 1878.

6. At the sixth meeting, April 23, 1879, Mr. Luke Paul Holmes was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a candidate for Deacon's Orders only. The resignation of Hon. J. A. Halderman as a member of this Committee was accepted, and Mr. C. C. Kellam was elected to fill the vacancy. Consent was given to the transfer of the Rt. Rev. J. H. D. Wingfield, Bishop of the Missionary jurisdiction of Northern California, to the Diocese of Louisiana. Rev. Dr. Beatty was elected Secretary to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of the Rev. Paul Zeigler from the Diocese.

7. At the seventh meeting, June 4, 1879, the Committee reported to the Bishop, to be by him duly reported to the Convention in his Annual Address, the following parishes as having forfeited their connection with the Convention, according to Article 3, Section 3, of the Constitution of the Diocese: St. Mark's, Baxter Springs; St. Paul's, Chetopa; St. Mark's, Oskaloosa; Trinity, Troy; and St. Luke's, Wamego.

CHAS. REYNOLDS, *President*.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 4—8 P. M.

The Convention reassembled.

After an opening service, conducted by the Bishop, the Convention sat as the Board of Missions for this Diocese.

The Executive Missionary Committee made the following report:

The Executive Missionary Committee respectfully report that they have held five meetings during the past year, viz : On June 20, 1878, at Topeka; September 5, 1878, at Leavenworth; December 11, 1878, at Topeka; March 12, 1879, at Topeka; and at Manhattan, June 3, 1879. They have all been well attended. The statement of funds at the disposal of the Committee and their application will be found in the Treasurer's report, from which it will appear that their work has been circumscribed on account of very limited means — less than \$700.

It will appear, also, that while some parishes have contributed liberally, others have done very little or nothing.

During the year, the Rev. Chas. Holmes has been Missionary in Marshall county, and the Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox in Clay county. Both report favorably of their work and the prospect of its extension. Details are to be found in their parochial reports. The Rev. Joseph S. Colton has been in charge of work at Wichita and stations adjoining. His labor at Wichita is soon to be crowned by the consecration of the church. The Rev. John L. Gay was for a time stationed at Parsons, but in October last, his field was changed to Labette and Cherokee counties. After four months he resigned, to accept a rectorship at Fayette in Missouri, leaving the field vacant. Your Committee think that the field is a desirable one to occupy, and hope to have a Missionary nominated in due time.

In the early part of the year, your Committee addressed a circular letter to the different clergymen of the Diocese, offering to send a sub-committee to aid in working up an interest for the missionary work, whenever requested so to do by the rector. Only one request was received in answer to the circular.

It was decided to establish a mission at Beloit, and, as soon as the right man can be found, to send him there.

Doubtless other meetings would have been held but for the peculiar condition of the Diocese and the many changes of its clergy.

As the Committee become more accustomed to the work assigned them, and as its functions become better appreciated both by its members and the clergy at large, it is hoped that its work may be more systematic and effective.

Respectfully submitted.

F. E. STIMPSON, *Secretary*.

Missionary addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. J. H. Lee, L. L. Holden, Thos. B. Dooley, F. O. Osborne, B. Hartley. Hymn 284 was then sung. The Rev. Jos. S. Colton gave

an interesting account of his charge at Wichita, Newton and Winfield; and the Bishop made the closing address.

After singing Hymn 283, a collection for Diocesan Missions was made, the doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," was sung; and the Benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

On motion the Convention adjourned to Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, June 5—9 A. M.

The Bishop was assisted in the morning prayer by the Rev. J. S. Colton and the Rev. J. T. Carpenter.

The Chair then called the Convention to order.

The Committee on Qualifications reported that they had examined the certificates of the lay delegates from Wyandotte and Wichita, and found them in due form.

The Parish of St. George's, Victoria, applied to be admitted into union with this Convention, and Mr. Thomas F. Miller, honorary delegate, took his seat on condition that the necessary papers be duly forwarded to the Standing Committee, who shall thereupon announce the admission of said parish into union with this Convention.

The Treasurer's Report was now presented and referred to the Finance Committee.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the committee on that part of the Bishop's Address which referred to the proposed Cathedral, reported as follows:

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to a Cathedral in the city of Topeka, respectfully report that, on examination of the Address, they find that the Bishop's recommendation implies a recognition of the See principle, and is in harmony with the admitted theory of Diocesan Episcopacy and of our general Church Government in the United States.

The committee also find that the delegates from Grace Church, Topeka, are present with instructions to tender said church to this Convention as the Cathedral of the Diocese upon the basis of an agreement between the Bishop and the Corporation of Grace Church.

The committee therefore present the following resolution:

Resolved, That the delegates from Grace Church, Topeka, be now permitted to present the proposition they are authorized to make to this Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BEATTY,
FRANK O. OSBORNE,
J. H. LEE,
F. W. GILES,
AMBROSE TODD.

Mr. F. W. Giles, in behalf of the delegation from Grace Church, Topeka, then laid before the Convention the action of Grace Church and of the Bishop in these premises, (see Appendix B,) and made a motion that this Convention do accept Grace Church, Topeka, as tendered for a Cathedral, by the adoption of the proposed Canon relating to the Cathedral, and that, in order to do this, the Canon be, according to our rules, referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, with instructions to said committee to report as soon as may be convenient.

The motion was adopted, and the Canon was accordingly referred, as follows:

CANON RELATING TO THE CATHEDRAL.

SECTION 1. The Convention of the Diocese, acknowledging primitive usage, admitting the See City to be a necessary element in Diocesan Episcopacy, and believing the Cathedral therein to be an essential organ of the Bishop for the reality of his office and the discharge of his duties, hereby recognizes the idea and the fact of the Cathedral in the See City as a proper prerogative of the Bishop, and establishes "the Cathedral Chapter of the Diocese of Kansas."

SEC. 2. The Chapter shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall be President and head of the Chapter, *ex officio*; a Dean, appointed by the Bishop, who shall be a presbyter of the Diocese and rector of the congregation connected with the Cathedral; one Canon, who shall be the chaplain of the College of the Sisters of Bethany; one or more Canons, nominated by the Bishop and Dean, and appointed by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, residing in the Cathedral or See City, and assisting in the work and services of the Cathedral; one or more Canons, who shall be the rector or rectors of any church or churches hereafter to be organized in the Cathedral City, and one layman from each of such parishes to be hereafter organized in the

Cathedral City, who shall be annually elected, in Easter week, by such parish, or in default of the action of the parish, by the newly elected Wardens and Vestry of the same;* four honorary Canons, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, elected by the Convention on nomination by the Bishop, one of whom shall retire annually, the order of retirement of those first chosen to be determined by lot; one Clerical Chancellor, who shall be, next to the Bishop, at the head of the Theological School of the Diocese; one Lay Chancellor, who shall be learned in the law, and the legal adviser of the Bishop, of the Cathedral Chapter and of the Diocese, and be appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years; one Treasurer, appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years; two clerical and two lay members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, elected by said Standing Committee; the Treasurer of the Diocese; the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese; the Registrar of the Diocese; two clerical and two lay members of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese, elected by the said Missionary Committee; two laymen, who shall be annually elected, in the first week in September, by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, from their own number; and the Clerk of the Chapter.

Seven members, after due notification to all, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A less number may adjourn to a given time, or *sine die*.

SEC. 3. The Chapter shall be incorporated, and shall have power to make its own statutes which shall be made known to and approved by the Convention of the Diocese.

SEC. 4. The Congregation of the Cathedral shall be a parish, with the usual parochial organization, and with all the rights and privileges of any parish: *Provided*, That the Bishop shall have the right of nomination to the Vestry of the Rector, on such terms as the Bishop and Vestry agree upon, and shall enjoy such other rights and privileges as are proper for him in the Cathedral and as are secured to him in the agreement between him and the Vestry of said Cathedral Church.

SEC. 5. Grace Church, in the See City of Topeka, is hereby adopted and constituted the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Kansas.

MISSIONS IN THE CATHEDRAL OR SEE CITY.

SECTION 1. The Cathedral Chapter shall be the Board of Missions for the Cathedral or See City.

SEC. 2. No missionary shall be appointed by the Board, unless he shall first have been nominated by the Bishop.

SEC. 3. The Treasurer of the Cathedral Chapter shall be the Treasurer of Missions in the See City.

* This clause was dropped out in the printed copy used at the Convention.

The Convention now proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Mr. J. W. Farnsworth was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

Mr. Thomas C. Vail was elected Registrar.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot by orders for members of the Standing Committee.

The clergy chose and the laity approved the following clerical members: Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D.D., Rev. A. Beatty, D.D., Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rev. W. H. Hickcox.

The laity chose and the clergy approved the following lay members: Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, S. W. Stone, A. G. Otis, A. Todd.

These appointments were thereupon adopted by the Convention.

On motion, the Bishop appointed the Rev. Dr. Reynolds and Rev. L. L. Holden a committee to nominate members of the Executive Missionary Committee. These gentlemen nominated the following, who were duly elected: Rev. Messrs. J. Wourt, J. H. Lee, T. W. Barry, Thomas Burrows, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, F. E. Stimpson, T. C. Vail, J. W. Farnsworth.

The following were elected as the Committee of Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany: Rev. Dr. Beatty, Prof. H. Canfield, Hon. A. H. Horton, Miss E. P. Leonard, Mrs. G. W. Higinbotham, Rev. F. O. Osborne and Mrs. Osborne, L. G. Hopkins, Esq., and Mrs. Hopkins.

Examiners of the Theological School: Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Rev. Dr. Beatty, Rev. G. P. Comings, Rev. J. T. Carpenter, and Mr. F. E. Stimpson.

The Convention then nominated, as Trustee of the General Theological Seminary, Rev. Dr. Reynolds in place of the Rev. H. H. Loring, removed from the Diocese.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

THURSDAY, June 5—2:30 P. M.

The Convention reassembled and was called to order.

The Committee on the State of the Church asked for an extension of time. Granted.

The Finance Committee then made a report, which as somewhat modified was adopted by the Convention. (See Appendix F.)

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, reported that said committee had considered the Canon on Missions offered yesterday and referred to them, and recommend its adoption. Whereupon, on motion, the Canon was adopted, and the numbering of it was left to the President and the Secretary of the Convention.

The Chairman of the same committee further reported as follows:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report that they have had under consideration the proposed Canon relating to the Cathedral, and being unable to agree, report the Canon back to the Convention without recommendation.

Mr. F. W. Giles then moved that the Convention do adopt the proposed Canon relating to the Cathedral.

Mr. F. E. Stimpson proposed the following substitute:

That the proposed Canon relating to the Cathedral be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons to report to the next Convention, and that the entire paper concerning the action of Grace Church be spread upon the minutes.

After an animated discussion the Convention took a recess until 7:30 P. M.

THURSDAY, June 5—7:30 P. M.

The Rev. J. J. Thomson, Agent of the American Bible Society, addressed the members of the Convention in behalf of that society, and through the President received the thanks of the Convention for the information communicated.

The Convention was called to order, and the consideration of the proposed Canon in relation to the Cathedral was resumed.

On motion, the order of business was suspended so that the Committee on Parishes forfeiting their connection with this Convention might make their report, which was as follows:

The committee on that part of the Bishop's Address referring to parishes having lost the right of representation, beg leave to report that they find nothing in the Constitution and Canons of this Church, except a part of Sec. 3, Art. 3, of the Constitution, bearing upon this subject, which takes away any right of representation from parishes failing to pay their assessments for two years, unless for good cause exonerated by a vote of the Convention, and therefore the committee can make no recommendation.

The report was received as a matter of course, and no further action was taken upon it.

The order of business was again taken up.

On motion, the substitute proposed by Mr. F. E. Stimpson was laid upon the table.

The question now recurring on the resolution presented by Mr. F. W. Giles, that the Canon relating to the Cathedral be adopted; the vote was demanded by orders and by yeas and nays, and was so taken with the following result:

CLERGY—*Yeas*: Barry, Beatty, Brown, Colton, Comings, Dooley, Hartley, Hickcox, Holden, Osborne, Talbot—total, 11. *Nays*: Burrows, Carpenter, Reynolds, Turner—total, 4. *Excused*: Lee.

LAITY—*Yeas*: Independence, Monmouth, Salina, Topeka, Victoria, Wakefield—total, 6. *Nays*: Burlington, Lawrence, Manhattan—total, 3.

A majority of both orders voting in the affirmative, the Canon was declared adopted.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne then presented the following report.

The undersigned, in behalf of the Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, desires to say, that members of this committee have visited the institution at Commencement, and at other times during the past year, and they once more bear witness to the growing usefulness and efficiency of this admirable institution, for the thorough education of the daughters of the State. Without detailing the course of instruction and the methods pursued, they wish to say briefly that the institution is a real Christian Home, and that nowhere in the West, is the threefold education and development of the body, mind, and religious faculties, so happily illustrated as in this institution. The members of the committee desire to recommend it most heartily to

the Diocese and to the people of the State generally as most worthy of their patronage. All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee,

FRANK O. OSBORNE.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following report:

That they have examined the Journal of the last Convention of this Diocese, and find the only Unfinished Business to be that found on page 9, being an amendment offered by Hon. J. A. Halderman to Sec. 3, Art. III, of the Constitution, providing for proportionate representation of parishes in Convention; and on page 12 they find a reference to a change in the Constitution, Art. II, Sec. 1, with regard to the time of holding Convention; and on the same page they also find a proposed amendment to Sec. 2, Canon VII, of the Constitution; and on page 18 they find that the Committee on Constitution and Canons were appointed a committee to present to this Convention a general Canon on the organization of Missions.

Respectfully submitted.

T. W. BARRY,
CHAS. H. SCHILLING.
JAMES PARSONS.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, the change in the Constitution, Article II., Section 1, which was approved by the last Convention, fixing the time for the Annual Convention on the "last" instead of the "first" Wednesday in June, was, on motion, adopted. Accordingly, the next meeting of the Annual Convention of this Diocese will be held on "the last Wednesday in June," 1880.

In response to the Bishop's kind invitation, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the next Convention be held at Grace Cathedral, Topeka.

Mr. Ambrose Todd moved that Canon IV, Sec. 1, paragraph 1, line 5, be altered so as to read "a majority shall be male members," &c.

A motion to lay the proposal on the table was lost.

A vote by orders, demanded by three of the clergy, resulted as follows:

CLERGY—*Yeas*: Brown, Burrows, Hickcox, Holden, Lee, Reynolds—total, 6. *Nays*: Barry, Beatty, Comings, Colton, Dooley, Hartley, Osborne, Talbott, Turner—total, 9. *Excused*: Carpenter.

As by this vote the motion was lost, the vote of the laity was dispensed with.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be and are hereby authorized to print five hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to procure a suitable book and record therein the minutes of this Convention, which record, when signed by the President and Secretary, shall be the official record thereof.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds presented the following, which was adopted as a Standing Resolution.

Resolved, That the parochial clergy and missionaries of the Diocese of Kansas be required to furnish families and individuals who are attached to our Church—whether they be communicants or not—and who are about to remove into other parishes or mission stations in the Diocese, such letters of commendation and other information as will secure for them fraternal welcome and pastoral sympathy; and be required also, whenever practicable, to send duplicate letters to the clergyman under whose charge the person or persons so removing may expect to go.

The Bishop then nominated as honorary Canons of the Cathedral, the Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. J. H. Lee, Rev. T. W. Barry, Rev. R. C. Talbott, and they were elected by the Convention.

On motion, cordial thanks were returned to the Rector and members of St. Paul's Church, and other friends and citizens, for their kind hospitalities during the session, and also to the K. P., the A. T. & S. F. and the M. K. & T. Railroads, for giving reduced fares to the members of the Convention.

The minutes were read, corrected, and approved.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Sunday following the last Annual Convention, June 9th, 1878, was spent in Topeka, where I preached in the morning, and in the evening addressed the congregation of pupils and others at the College Chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary.

On Tuesday, the 11th, I made a second visitation of Trinity Church, Lawrence, where in the afternoon I confirmed five (5) persons.

The Sunday following, June 16th, had been appointed for a second visitation of Grace Church, Topeka. There were none confirmed, and I made an address, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Monday, the annual Examinations at the College were concluded. On Tuesday, the annual Junior exhibition of the College occurred in the morning, and the annual Concert in the evening.

On Wednesday was the Commencement, when, after two or three excellent essays by pupils, an admirable address was delivered by the Hon. J. J. Buck, of Emporia. There was a Reunion in the evening, at which quite a considerable number of persons were present, but from which very many were kept back by a violent storm, which came up just at the time when guests were to arrive.

On the next Sunday, June 23d, I was at Christ Church, Salina, where in the morning I preached and made a collection for Diocesan Mission. In the afternoon I baptized a

child, and then visited and confirmed one (1) person, a very sick man, who desired to take upon himself the vows of the Christian profession. In the evening I again preached, and confirmed two (2) persons.

On Friday following I reached Coffeyville, in Montgomery county, the terminus, at the Indian Territory, of the L., L. & G. Railroad, and held a service, and preached on Saturday evening.

On Sunday, June 30th, I preached in the morning, and confirmed thirteen (13) persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I baptized one (1) adult and one (1) infant. In the evening, after an address, I confirmed two (2) persons more, making fifteen (15) confirmed at this visitation. The people here are greatly interested in the Church, through God's blessing on the untiring labors of the Rev. L. L. Holden, who has kept a monthly missionary appointment at this place. He also has officiated monthly, at Humboldt, Iola and Williamsburg.

On Monday, July 1st, I rode up to Independence, where, in the afternoon, I baptized four (4) infants, and in the evening preached and administered the Holy Communion.

On the next day, I met the people of Emmanuel Church, Humboldt, at Long's Hall, in the evening, when I preached. There were none confirmed.

On Wednesday I returned home via Ottawa and Lawrence.

On Sunday, July 7th, I was at Burlington, in Coffey county, where, in the morning, in the Church of the Ascension, I preached, and afterwards addressed the Sunday School. In the evening I made an address and confirmed three (3) persons, all leading and influential men of the city. The Rev. Dr. Beatty, who had for a year or more officiated here on the alternate Sundays, was invited to accept the rectorship of this parish, devoting to it his whole time. He therefore resigned his charge of St. Andrew's, Emporia, and came to this city. But the impossibility of finding a suitable house in this growing and overcrowded city, induced him to decline the invitation. He thereupon returned to his former home and house

Independence, where, I am happy to say, he is again doing valuable work for the Church.

On Monday, July 8th, I again met the Rev. Mr. Holden, Williamsburg, in Franklin county, where in the evening preached in the large school house, and confirmed two (2) persons. After service I rode five miles with Mr. Holden, to his home, where I was to spend the night. On Tuesday past midnight I reached my own home.

On Sunday, July 14th, I visited Lawrence in the absence of the rector, made an address and administered the Holy Communion in Trinity Church.

Sunday, July 21st, I spent in Topeka.

Sunday, July 28th, I went out with one of our candidates for orders, who are constantly doing mission work in Shawnee county, to a mission about seven miles distant from Topeka, where in the school house I read service and preached. A large congregation from a wide farming district welcomed me.

On Sunday, August 4th, in the morning I made an address and administered the Holy Communion, at Grace Church. The following Sunday I also spent in Topeka, when we listened to an excellent sermon by the Rev. Henry Forrester, of New Mexico, who made us a brief visit on his way to the east.

Sunday, August 18th, found me at Victoria, in Ellis County, where in the morning I consecrated St. George's Church, baptized three (3) infants, preached, and administered the Holy Communion. The Rev. Dr. Reynolds accompanied me on the Friday before from Fort Riley, and we were joined by the Rev. Mr. Dooley at Salina. These brethren assisted me in these services. In the afternoon the Rev. Mr. Dooley remained, to preach and to baptize one or two more infants, while the Doctor and myself drove up twelve miles in the afternoon to Hays City, where in the evening I read service, preached, and baptized one (1) infant.

On Sunday, August 25th, I visited Emmanuel Church, Conmouth, nine miles from Topeka, where in the morning preached, and addressed the Sunday School, and afterwards visited some families.

On Sunday, September 1st, I administered the Holy Communion in Grace Church, Topeka.

On the 4th and 5th of September there was held a very pleasant Convocation at Leavenworth. At the Church of St. Paul there was Holy Communion in the morning of Wednesday, a meeting of the body for discussion and conference in the afternoon, and a very interesting missionary meeting in the evening, at which addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Holmes and Holeman. The Bishop closed with an address. On the next morning there was a meeting of the clergy at the church, and also a meeting of the Executive Missionary Committee. In the afternoon, arrangements having been made by the Rector and his hospitable people, the clergy and two or three laymen from abroad were driven to the Fort and around the environs of this beautiful city. At the Fort they were cordially received in the house of a distinguished surgeon of the Post, and helped in generous measure to refreshments, returning to the city in time for tea. That evening there was a Reception for the Bishop and clergy, at the house of one of the parishioners of the Church of St. Paul. It was a delightful occasion, productive not only of pleasure, but of much good, as bringing the clergy and people together in the bonds of personal as well as official acquaintance and co-operation for our common work in the Master's service.

On the two Sundays, September 8th and 15th, I officiated morning and evening at Grace Church, the Rector being sick.

The College opened on Wednesday, September 18th, and on the evening of Sunday, the 22d, I had again the pleasure of meeting and preaching to the pupils, as I did also on the Sunday following, September 29th.

On Tuesday, October 1st, the Rev. Thomas Burrows was received by letter dismissory from Central Pennsylvania of date September 3d, 1878.

On Thursday afternoon I went to Emporia with Mr. Burrows, and spent the next day in introducing Mr. B. to the people of St. Andrew's Church. On Friday afternoon I went

with Mr. B. to Burlington, and on Saturday introduced him to the members of the Church of the Ascension. We spent Sunday, October 6th, at Burlington, where Mr. B. preached and administered the Holy Communion in the morning. In the evening I made an address after a sermon by Mr. B. Mr. Burrows at once entered upon his work, as missionary at Emporia and Burlington, giving to each of these churches alternate Sundays. I anticipate much from his energy and warm interest in his work.

On Monday noon I started for Parsons, by the freight train, and reached the town that night. On Tuesday I visited the people and at night attended a meeting of the vestry.

On Wednesday I went by freight train, with the Rev. Mr. Gay, to Oswego, where we visited among the people, returning at 2 o'clock that night.

After visiting at Parsons through the forenoon of Thursday, I started at 3 P. M. for Emporia, which I reached that evening, and where I spent the next morning in visiting from house to house, reaching home in the afternoon.

Sundays, October 13th and 20th, were occupied in Topeka, preaching on these evenings in the College Chapel.

On Sunday, October 27th, the Rector being sick, I read service and preached in Grace Church morning and evening.

On Wednesday, October 30th, I attended the funeral, at Lawrence, of the Hon. Geo. W. Smith, communicant and Warden of Trinity Church. He was one of the original settlers of Kansas, and had passed through all the stormy history of its early days. Honored, respected, and useful in every relation to the State, to society, and to the Church, he was also dearly loved in the closer circle of home and friends. And, in this connection, I must also record the death of the Hon. Wilson Shannon of this same city of Lawrence, who passed away during the previous autumn, in my absence from the State. Governor Shannon had from its foundation been one of the Trustees of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, and for many years held its property as the sole Trustee, returning it promptly, and without compensation for trouble

or for responsibility, to the corporation, as soon as the corporation was properly organized to receive it. We owe him much.

These two venerable men were intimate and dear friends of each other, and, although occupying opposite sides in their political affiliations, their personal attachment remained unbroken to the last. They were among the first to welcome me on my arrival in this State, and their kind counsel and warm-hearted greeting I sadly miss. They were both men of the strictest integrity, honesty, and honor.

On November 3d I administered the Holy Communion in Grace Church, and in the evening read service and preached in the College Chapel.

On Monday I went to Atchison, on my way to a visitation of the Marshall County Missions. A Convocation had been appointed there at this time.

On Monday evening and Tuesday morning I made some visits, and in the afternoon went out on the Central Branch of the U. P. R. R. and stopped at Irving, where I met the Rev. Chas. Holmes, our active and efficient Missionary in Marshall and Pottawatomie counties. That evening I preached in the Presbyterian Church, kindly lent to us for our services.

On the next morning, the Rev. Messrs. Osborne and Barry, who had gone out to Beloit, in Mitchell county, to inspect that ground in reference to a mission there, joined us. On this morning, after a sermon by Mr. Osborne, I administered the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon the Convocation met and organized, and a discussion was held on the question, "How to make missions self-supporting." All present took part, and one or two of the congregation.

In the evening, after service, the Rev. Mr. Barry preached, and the Bishop made an address, and one (1) person was confirmed. This evening we were joined by the Rev. Mr. Hickcox from the Clay County Mission.

On the next morning the Convocation went five or six

miles further west, to Blue Rapids, where, at 10:30, we held service in the Methodist Church, which was put into our possession for the occasion. The Rev. Mr. Hickcox preached, and the Bishop made an address. In the afternoon the discussion was continued on the question of the previous day, and several of the congregation helped to throw further light upon the topic. So great had become the interest in it, that the subject which had been published, "Missions, past and present," was made to give place to it. In the evening, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Barry and an address by the Bishop, two (2) persons were confirmed.

On Friday morning the other members of the Convocation returned to their homes, and the Missionary and the Bishop went on to Center Township. At 2 in the afternoon we held service in Zion Church, and each of us made an address upon the subject set for discussion at the time: "The Diocese of Kansas: its needs and its opportunities." In the evening, I preached and confirmed three (3) persons, and at the close of the service drove six miles to the house where I was kindly entertained.

On Saturday afternoon I went to Marysville in the rain. Bountiful arrangements had been made for a Reception there, which the people were warmly anticipating. But the severity of the storm was against it, and only two or three succeeded in meeting us, with whom, however, and with our kind hosts, we spent a very agreeable evening.

On the next day, Sunday, November 10th, we held services in the Presbyterian Church, to which we were politely invited. I preached, confirmed one (1) person, and administered the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon we drove across the country twenty miles from the line of the St. Joseph & Denver Railroad, on which Marysville is situated, to Frankfort, on the Central Branch Railroad. Here we held a service in the large school house of the village, when Mr. Holmes read, and I preached, and baptized one (1) child, and confirmed one (1) person. After service we went several miles into the country to the house where we were hospitably entertained.

On the next day we drove twelve miles over into Pottawatomie county, to a school house, where, in the afternoon, I preached, baptized one (1) adult and confirmed six (6) persons. After service we drove eight miles further to the town of Onaga, where, on the following morning, I entered the cars of the Kansas Central Narrow Gauge Railway, and, in due time, reached home.

It was a very interesting trip, and incidents occurred of great interest, in connection with these services, which the limits of an annual address forbid me to mention. The Mission is beginning to develop the fruits of patience and perseverance.

The following Sunday was occupied in Topeka in the usual way.

On the 18th of November, I transferred the Rev. Chas. S. Daniel to the Diocese of Pennsylvania by letters dismissory of this date.

On the 19th, Tuesday, I went by early train to Lawrence to attend the Sunday School Institute recommended by the Convention to be holden in the fall. Three sessions were held in each day, Tuesday and Wednesday. The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Messrs. Barry and Zeigler, constituted, with the Bishop, the clerical attendance. One or two lay deputies from other towns also attended. But the teachers of Trinity Church Sunday School mainly constituted our congregations. Yet the exercises were very profitable. Valuable hints were given and received, and all who were present were constrained to say, "It is good for us to be here." At these several meetings the Bishop made five addresses, including the opening and the closing of the Institute.

A meeting of the Standing Committee was got together this week, after three several attempts, when a bare majority succeeded in meeting, on Friday, November 22d, at the Santa Fe depot, in Topeka. The object was to get a *pro forma* vote on the time for ordaining a deacon, and the difficulty originated in having the lay members so widely separated in the Diocese. It would be a very great advantage, if a ma-

jority or nearly a majority could be selected from the city where the Bishop resides, so that meetings could be secured without serious loss of time and without serious expense to the lay members.

On Sunday morning, November 24th, I held service and preached at a mission some eight miles south-west from Topeka, which is sustained on every other Sunday by one of our candidates for orders. In the evening I preached in the Chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary.

Saturday, November 30th, I spent in Junction City, having gone up the K. P. on the previous afternoon. It was a severe snow storm all the day. But I spent the day in going from house to house, and in meeting the vestry and other members of the parish, to arrange for the renewal of services which had been suspended during the summer and autumn. That night I went on to Ellsworth, which I reached about 11:30, and found the choir still waiting for me to select and to practice upon their music for the next day.

On Sunday, December 1st, I read the service, baptized one (1) child, preached, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I visited. In the evening I again read service, baptized one (1) child, and preached. There is quite an interest for our Church in this flourishing city, and it is simply a shame, that the very small appropriations for missionary service made to this Diocese from our missionary societies put it entirely out of our power to send a clergyman to occupy this field.

On Monday morning, before daylight, I started for Salina, which I reached in time for breakfast. I went to visit the Rev. Mr. Dooley, who has been very sick, and whom I found just beginning to recover. For the preservation of his valuable life we all thank God.

In the forenoon I drove up to Brookville, in Saline County, some fifteen miles over the prairie. That evening I held service in a private house, where I was entertained, the father, mother and son having been confirmed by me a year ago in Lawrence. At this service I baptized one (1) child. I also visited some families.

On the next morning, Tuesday, December 3d, I went to Abilene, in Dickinson County, where I visited through the day, and in the evening held service in the public hall, where I preached and confirmed one (1) person. The Rev. John W. Birchmore has been carrying on this mission without missionary compensation. But the prospects are not very favorable, and the Missionary has been a good deal discouraged. On Wednesday I returned home.

On Sunday, December 8th, I was at Lawrence, where in the morning I made the exhortation on "The Duty and Office of such as come to be admitted Deacons," and then ordained, to the Diaconate, Mr. Alfred Brown, a candidate for orders. Mr. Brown was presented by the Rector of Trinity Church, the Rev. Paul Zeigler, who was one of his examiners. In the evening, after service in the chapel, the newly ordained Deacon preached his first sermon as one of the ministers of Christ.

On Friday afternoon I started for Coffeyville, in Montgomery County, which place I reached at 2:30 that night. On the next day in the afternoon, in company with the Rev. L. L. Holden, Missionary on the L. L. & G. R. R., I laid the corner stone of St. Paul's Church, which will be ready for consecration, we trust, before Convention. Here I visited among the people, and on Sunday, December 15th, I preached both morning and evening in the Methodist Church, and, in the morning, confirmed one (1) person and administered the Holy Communion.

On the next day I drove up to Independence, where I visited the people, and in the evening preached. The Rev. Dr. Beatty is now here, and is ministering in the Church of the Epiphany, which was built under his former ministry in this city, with marked efficiency and success. I reached home in the course of Tuesday night.

On Friday, December 20th, I started for Omaha, in Nebraska, to meet an appointment for a lecture on the following Sunday. I had a delightful visit with Bishop Clarkson and his family, met some of the clergy, preached on Sunday

morning in the Cathedral, and lectured at the same place in the evening on "Some Causes of Scepticism," and reached home on the afternoon of Tuesday.

On Christmas-day I made an address in Grace Church, Topeka, and administered the Holy Communion.

Sunday, December 29th, and Sunday, January 5th, I spent at Topeka, attending Grace Church in the morning and the College in the evening, when I addressed the pupils.

On Sunday, January 12th, 1879, I was at St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, where in the morning I preached, and in the evening preached and confirmed six (6) persons and addressed the candidates. The Rev. J. H. Lee is still in the rectorship of this parish, and is feeling somewhat encouraged by brightening aspects of his work.

On Wednesday of this week, January 15th, the resignation of Grace Church, Topeka, by the Rev. H. H. Loring took effect, and from that time to the present I have had charge of this parish, in addition to my other duties, sustaining the services of the church in the morning, and in the evening officiating in the College Chapel. I was assisted one Sunday by the Rev. J. Thompson Carpenter on his way to Burlington, and on another by the Rev. Dr. Morrison, of Chicago; on a third by the Rev. Richard S. Adams, of Brooklyn, L. I., and at other times by the Rev. Alfred Brown, Chaplain of the College. Mr. Loring is to become connected with the editorial staff of one of our large and widely circulated church papers in New York, a position for which, from his extensive learning and fine scholarship and his considerable experience, he is eminently qualified. We shall miss his ability in the Hebrew and Greek departments of our Theological School, and wish him large success in the new duties to which he has been transferred.

Sunday, February 16th, I exchanged with the Rev. John Woart, Chaplain U. S. A., who preached in Grace Church and in the College, while I officiated, morning and evening, at Fort Leavenworth, in the beautiful Post Chapel just now completed. In the morning I confirmed one (1) person.

On Thursday, February 20th, at the request of Bishop Robertson, of Missouri, and on the invitation of the rector of Grace Church in that city, I visited Kansas City and confirmed one (1) person, a sick lady, in her own home.

On Tuesday, the 4th of March, the corner stone of the new church in Wichita was laid by the Rev. Jos. S. Colton, the Missionary there, as I could not arrange to be present on the occasion. I am glad to state that the Rev. Mr. Colton commenced his labors at Wichita and Newton on the first of April, 1879, and is still in the Southwestern field of the Diocese. He discontinued his services at Newton after six months, and is now officiating principally at Wichita, although occasionally going to Winfield, in Cowley County, and to Wellington, in Sumner County. The church in Wichita is to be consecrated, if God please, on the 22d of June next.

On Wednesday, the 5th of March, the Executive Missionary Committee met at my study and arranged for the next quarter.

On Wednesday, the 2d of April, I started for my appointed visitation at Wichita, which I reached at nearly two o'clock that night. Unfortunately the notice, by some accident, had not been received, and they were not prepared. Two of the candidates had left town on the very morning of my arrival. However, I had the opportunity of seeing the people, and conferring with some of the vestry, inspecting the plans of the architect and contractor, and arranging some matters connected with the interior, and fixing the date of the consecration. In the evening I preached in the Presbyterian Church, which was kindly put into our possession for the services.

On the next morning, in company with the Rev. Mr. Colton, I went to Newton, where I visited some of the people, and preached in the evening, in the Methodist Church, with the polite consent of the pastor, who was obliged to be absent.

On Saturday I went to Emporia, where, in the afternoon, I conferred with the vestry, and at tea met several of the parishioners. Mr. Burrows commenced services at Emporia and Burlington on alternate Sundays from October 1st, 1878. On the first of March he relinquished Burlington, giving place to the Rev. J. Thompson Carpenter, who was received into this Diocese on April 9th, 1879, by letters dimissory from Pennsylvania, of date March 20th, 1879. Mr. Burrows is very cordially received at Emporia, and is entering heartily upon his duties. As a first-fruits, a new parsonage has been built on the church lot, which he and his family are now occupying. A new organ has also been procured for the church.

On Sunday, April 6th, I preached in St. Andrew's Church in the morning, in the afternoon visited and addressed the Sunday School, and in the evening preached and confirmed three (3) persons.

On the next day, Monday, April 7th, I went to Burlington, the Rev. Mr. Burrows accompanying me. There we met the new Rector, Mr. Carpenter, who, I am thankful to report, is well received among his people, and is already doing a good work. As the new Rector has been here only a month, he was not yet prepared to present any for confirmation. I preached in the Church of the Ascension in the evening, and had an opportunity of meeting many of the parishioners at a reception after the services.

On Tuesday, at 10 A. M., I met the vestry and conferred with them on certain business interests of the parish. That night I reached home at about 3 o'clock, in a caboose by freight trains on two roads.

Easter-Day, April 13th, was spent at Topeka, where I officiated in Grace Church. The church was beautifully decorated with wreaths and floral offerings, expressive of the gladness with which we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The music was very inspiring and appropriate. I preached and administered the Holy Communion. The attendance, as everywhere else in the State, was very large.

On the next day, April 14th, I went to Salina, where, on Tuesday evening, I preached in Christ Church and confirmed eight (8) persons.

On the Tuesday in Easter-week, April 15th, the Rev. Paul Zeigler, who had tendered his resignation of Trinity Church, Lawrence, a week or two before, and who had been earnestly but unsuccessfully urged to withdraw it, left the Diocese for Detroit, in Michigan, where he is now settled as the rector of St. Peter's Church. A chief motive to this step was in the health of Mrs. Z., who seemed to need a more bracing climate. He has been a rare example of unremitting work, and of willing and cheerful self-denials, and has filled his place with severe fidelity and unusual ability. It was with much regret that on the 16th of May just passed, I sent his letters dismisory to the Jurisdiction of Michigan. These were accepted on May 27th. I part from him as from a dear son in Christ.

Wednesday, April 16th, was spent in Abilene, where I visited among the people, and preached in the evening, after the reading of the service by the Rev. Mr. Birchmore. A good lot for a church building was secured. There is a good germ here for a church, which it is hoped will, in due time, be developed. For the present the mission is suspended.

On Thursday I came home.

Sunday, the first after Easter, April 20th, was spent in Leavenworth. In the morning, in the Church of St. Paul, I preached, confirmed eight (8) persons, and administered the Holy Communion. I preached also in the evening. The parish in this bright Easter-time seemed much interested. The church was well filled, and the new choir of boys, under the leadership of an experienced musician, formerly connected with an English cathedral, and now resident at Fort Leavenworth, is proving quite an attraction to many, who, thus drawn to the house of God, may stay to pray, and may learn to worship God in the beauty of holiness.

On the evening of the next day, Monday, the 21st, I attended the adjourned annual parish meeting of Grace Church.

On the Sunday following, April 27th, I preached in Grace

Church, the Rev. Alfred Brown reading the Morning Prayer; and, in the evening, preached in the College Chapel.

On the next day I went to Junction City, having been summoned by telegram to attend, with the rector, the funeral of a lovely and highly-esteemed lady of the Church of the Covenant, who had been very suddenly removed. Our sympathies are with the mourning children of the deceased, and with her sorrowing husband, the Hon. James R. McClure, who is and for many years has been a warden of this church. On Tuesday the proper portion of the Burial Service was read at the church, where addresses were made by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds the rector, and by the Bishop, the remainder of the service being at the grave.

On Wednesday, April 30th, I returned home.

The visitation at Fort Scott was made on the third Sunday after Easter, May 4th, when I preached in St. Andrew's Church, and administered the Holy Communion, and made a collection for Diocesan Missions. The Rev. Benj. Hartley began his rectorship on the first Sunday after Easter, and was just entering upon his duties with much acceptance. His letters dimissory from the Diocese of New Jersey were dated on April 21st, and were accepted on May 2d, 1879.

In the evening, after a sermon, I confirmed two (2) persons. The Rev. D. W. Coxe resigned this parish on the 4th of January last, when he accepted an invitation to St. John's Memorial Church, at Parsons, in Labette county. He retained that rectorship only some six weeks, when he removed from this Diocese to Ohio, having accepted the rectorship of St. Paul's Church in Fremont in that State. He was ordained both Deacon and Priest in Kansas, and has spent his whole ministry in this jurisdiction. We are sorry to part with him, and pray for his continued prosperity in his new diocesan relations.

On Monday, May 5th, I went to Girard, in Crawford county, where, in the evening, I preached in St. John's Church, and confirmed two (2) persons. On this visit I had the pleasure of meeting the new rector and his family, who are now making their home in this flourishing county-seat. Mr.

Comings is doing a faithful work, and commending himself to the love and respect of the people.

From this point, after spending Tuesday in visiting the people, I went that evening, by the way of Cherokee, over the new narrow gauge road, to Parsons, in Labette county, which I reached at 9:15 p. m., and was met at the depot by the new rector, the Rev. R. C. Talbott, who had entered upon his duties on the 15th of February. His letters dimissory, from Indiana, were dated March 28th, and were accepted on April 9th, 1879. Mr. Talbott has proved himself most efficient. On the evening of Wednesday, May 7th, I made an address in St. John's Memorial Church, and confirmed eighteen (18) persons.

On the next evening, Thursday, May 8th, I made an address in St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, in Neosho county, also under the care of Mr. Talbott, and confirmed four (4) persons, of whom two had just been baptized by the rector. In this class of four were a grandmother, mother and daughter—three generations in one family. In both of these places another visitation at an early day has been requested.

Friday was occupied in getting to Coffeyville, in Montgomery county, which I reached at 9:15 in the evening. The new church was to be consecrated at this visitation. The parish had been very diligently engaged in preparing for the event. The last piece of work was done on the day of my arrival, and the last debts paid and provided for. The church is a frame building, solidly framed, covered with battened boards, of Gothic style, with open roof ceiled with pine, paneled diagonally, with a beautiful triplet chancel-window of stained glass. It is forty-five feet long and twenty-four feet wide, and has cost \$1,500, of which \$500 was furnished by outside friends, through the Bishop. A very interesting service was held in the new church on Saturday evening, May 10th, a service of baptism and confirmation, most appropriate for its opening. Commencing with the singing of a hymn, we proceeded at once to the baptismal office. One adult and ten infants were baptized. I then made a brief address,

showing the relations of baptism to confirmation, how both expressed the full idea of the Christian covenant and the Christian character. The order of confirmation was then used, when seven (7) persons received the laying on of hands.

On the next morning, the fourth Sunday in Advent, May 11th, at 10:30, the new church was consecrated by the name of St. Paul's Church. The instrument of donation was read by the Hon. Thomas B. Eldridge, the Senior Warden, and the sentence of consecration by the Rev. L. L. Holden, rector and missionary. I preached and administered the Holy Communion, and a collection for Diocesan Missions was made as a thank-offering. The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., of Independence, with the rector, assisted in the service. A very large congregation was present, far beyond the capacity of the little church. A special car was sent over from Independence, and the Church of the Epiphany of that city was very largely represented at the consecration.

In the evening, the Rev. Dr. Beatty preached, and was followed by the Bishop with an address.

On Monday morning, May 12th, we were driven over to Independence, where, in the afternoon, I met the ladies of the parish in the church at 4 o'clock, and arranged with them and the rector for certain much-needed improvements of the church building. In the evening, after service, I preached, and confirmed four (4) persons. Matters are looking very favorable in this parish, which seems animated by a new life and zeal.

On the next day I arrived at Lawrence in the afternoon, and met the vestry of Trinity parish in the evening, our conference in relation to the affairs of the parish being prolonged to midnight. At 2 o'clock that night I took the cars for home, which I reached in the early morning.

On the evening of Saturday, May 17th, in the Chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary, I baptized four (4) of the pupils of the College, and made an address.

On Sunday, May 18th, the fifth Sunday after Easter, at Grace Church, Topeka, after a sermon by the Rev. J. F.

Walker, of Colorado, I confirmed nine (9) persons and addressed them, and administered the Holy Communion. Of the persons confirmed eight (8) were from the College. In the evening one (1) infant was baptized by me in the Church of St. Martha and St. Mary, and addresses were made appropriate to the circumstances of the day, by the Rev. Mr. Walker and the Bishop.

On Wednesday, May 21st, in the morning, at Grace Church I baptized three (3) infants.

On the evening of this day, the Rev. Thomas Gallander, D.D., rector of St. Ann's Church, New York, accompanied by the Rev. A. W. Mann, a deaf-mute clergyman of our church, arrived in Topeka. These gentlemen were on a Western tour in the interest of the deaf-mutes, and especially of the church society which they represent. That evening a service was held in Grace Church, at which some twelve or fifteen deaf-mutes of the neighborhood were present. The service, as it proceeded, was interpreted by Dr. Gallander into the sign language, after which the congregation was addressed by Dr. G. as to the methods of communicating ideas to these "children of silence," as he called them, and as to the claims of the society which he represented. While he was speaking, Mr. Mann was preaching to the deaf-mutes, who were hearing with their eyes as he addressed them in their own silent tongue of signs. It was a very interesting service. These gentlemen had visited St. Joseph and Atchison on their way to Topeka.

On the next morning, Holy Thursday or Ascension Day, May 22d, these gentlemen and myself started on the train eastward, they to go to Kansas City and Olathe, where our State institution for the deaf and dumb is located, and I to hold my visitation at Lawrence. It was a busy day for me. From my arrival until 10:30, I was doing pastoral work in conferring with some who wanted my advice. Then I took the service, addressed the people, confirmed two (2) persons, and administered the Holy Communion. At 2:30 I solemnized matrimony in the church, which was filled upon that

occasion as it was not at the previous service. I then baptized an infant. I reached home that night at 12 o'clock on a freight train.

On Saturday I went over to Atchison, and completed the arrangements, which had been in progress, for merging, at the fraternal proposition of its editors, "The Church in Kansas" in the "Kansas Churchman." Hereafter the "Kansas Churchman" will be the only Diocesan paper for general circulation, and the interests of all our clergy and people will be united in it. The advertisements and subscriptions of that paper are transferred to us, and our Diocesan paper will thus be placed on a good financial basis. We ask the faithful co-operation of our brethren to put this paper into every family in the Diocese.

The Sunday after Ascension, May 25th, was spent at Atchison, where I preached morning and evening, and visited and addressed the Sunday School. This school is in quite a prosperous condition, under its excellent Superintendent, aided by a zealous corps of teachers. The Rector, also, takes charge of a Bible Class. In several cases in this Diocese the same course is adopted. It is a great encouragement to the school, and gathers the young people, who under any other arrangement would fail to receive the religious instruction so necessary as they are entering upon life. Such a Bible Class, too, prepares for a confirmation class, and is a great help in the process of pastoral care. Where the health and circumstances of a Rector admit of it, the forming of a Rector's Bible Class in connection with the Sunday School is very much to be advised and recommended. In one case, at Independence, such a class for the whole congregation takes the place of an afternoon service, and has produced excellent results.

The confirmation at Atchison has been postponed to some two or three months after the convention, because of local circumstances which make the postponement expedient.

On Monday evening, May 26th, I held my visitation at St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, when I baptized two (2) infants, made an address, and confirmed seven (7) persons, presented

by the Rev. F. R. Holeman, Rector of St. Paul's. Mr. Holeman has reason to be greatly encouraged by the present indications in this parish. The congregation is steadily increasing. Families who have never known our church are now in regular attendance. The Sunday-School is growing rapidly in numbers. The class for confirmation is much interested and enlarging, and all the prospects are very promising. After the service there was a reception at the house of one of the parishioners; and a large gathering of the congregation not only made a delightful social entertainment, but also gave me the opportunity of forming many pleasant acquaintances among the people.

On Tuesday I returned home.

On Wednesday I started for Beloit, in Mitchell county, via the Kansas Pacific, the Republican Valley, and the Central Branch U. P. Railroads, reaching Clyde, in Cloud county, that night, and going the next day by freight train to Beloit, which I reached at 3:30 in the afternoon. That evening and the next day I visited the people in the town and two families in the country.

On Friday evening, the 30th, with the Rev. Chas. Holmes, who met me at Beloit, and visited with me, I held service in a public hall, where I preached and confirmed four (4) persons. The Rev. Reese P. Kendall, deacon, who resides six miles from Beloit, was also present and assisted in the services. A parish has just been organized in Beloit, under the oversight of the Rev. Charles Holmes,* and includes from twenty to thirty families, among whom are numbered several of the most valued citizens of the place. I baptized two (2) infants, of different families, in the afternoon, in the course of a violent storm, which did great damage along the line of the Central Branch Railroad, demolishing houses and uprooting

*NOTE. The terrible destruction in the town of Irving, where Mr. Holmes has his home, and the prostrated condition of his people there, led him to the conclusion that the Providential intimation to him was to remain with his suffering people in that town, and to decline the warm invitation which had been given him to change his work from Marshall county to Beloit and Mitchell county. God will not forget his generous and Christian decision to share their trials with his old and attached flock. The Rev. Geo. W. Morrill has succeeded him in his work at Beloit, and is most favorably received.

trees, at Cawker City, at Beloit, at Waterville, and Blue Rapids, and especially at Irving, where many houses were prostrated and fifteen to eighteen persons killed.

On Saturday morning I came back to Clyde, where I spent the greater part of the day at the hotel waiting for a south-bound train, while the driving storm prevented me from obtaining such information as I should otherwise have sought, in reference to our opportunities in that thriving town. Late in the afternoon, I reached Wakefield, in Clay county, by a freight train.

Wednesday, June 1st. I spent in the parish of St. John's Church, Wakefield, the guest, with Mrs. V., of the Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, at the nice snug parsonage, near the church. In the morning I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the evening I made an address and confirmed six (6) persons.

On the next day, in the evening, in the Chapel of the Covenant, at Junction City, being Whitsun-Monday, I preached and confirmed five (5) persons presented by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the rector, and took up a collection for Diocesan Missions.

On the Tuesday in Whitsun-week, in St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, after Evening Prayer and a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, I confirmed three (3) persons and made a collection for Diocesan Missions. This service, on the evening before the opening of the Convention, closed my visitations for the last Conventional year.

I add a summary in part of the above report:

Baptisms—Infants, 39; adults, 7—one of these being by the Hypothetical form. Marriages, 4; burials, 7. Confirmed, 148. Churches consecrated, 2. Ordained to the Diaconate, 1. Transferred from the Diocese, 6. Transferred to the Diocese, 5. Added by Ordination to the Diocese, 1. Three or four additions to our clergy list are expected in the course of the next two or three months, by ordination and by transfer.

If you will look over the report of the Executive Missionary Committee, when it shall be published as one of the

records of this Convention, you will see that in each of twelve of the parishes and Missions of this Diocese, including one or two of the largest and self-supporting parishes, only one collection has been taken for Diocesan Missions during the year, and this one, in each case, at the Bishop's visitation. Thus our Canon, recommending four of such collections during the year, has been practically set aside, and in each of these cases no other plan of systematic collection for this purpose has been substituted. The clergy are solely responsible for this neglect; for the people are always willing to contribute, even if it be in small gifts, when the opportunity is presented. I do hope that the next year may show a quickening of the sense of duty in this direction among those who should be "ensamples to the flock" of Christ.

I have received from the Standing Committee the following communication, made by them in obedience to a resolution adopted by the Convention of last year:

"To the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas:

In accordance with the resolution passed at the last Convention (on page 17 of the Journal), the Standing Committee respectfully report the following parishes as not entitled to representation in the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas, according to Article III. Section 3, of the Constitution:

"St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs; St. Paul's, Chetopa; St. Mark's, Oskaloosa; Trinity, Troy; St. Luke's, Wamego.

"Respectfully submitted, &c.

"A. BEATTY, *Secretary.*"

I have no recommendation to make in these cases, and simply as in duty bound, report them to the Convention for such action as to this body shall seem proper. *

The number of our Bishops to-day is the same as at our last Convention. One new Bishop, the Rt. Rev. George Fox Seymour, D. D., LL. D., of the Diocese of Springfield, consecrated on June 11, 1878, has been added to our House; and one, the Right Rev. Joseph Pere Bell Wilmer, D. D., of the Diocese of Louisiana, has been removed from our House by

* NOTE.—I may add, in this note, that the Convention from the peculiar circumstances in these several cases, decided to take no action whatsoever, but to leave the Parishes as heretofore, in union with the Convention.

death. He died in New Orleans on the 2d day of December, 1878.

The Church has sustained a great loss in the removal of Bishop Wilmer. A man of extraordinary intellectual ability, of a keen wit never desecrated by unkindness, the soul of honor and integrity, with a heart full of affection and with the sweetest charity, with a piety without pretension but of deep experience in the unutterable love of God and man, a warm friend, a courtly gentleman, a devoted Christian, how can we ever do without him? And so we are brought upon our knees to the throne of grace, praying the Lord of the Harvest to send forth more laborers into His harvest.

I must, as I copy out this address for the press, insert here a passing tribute to one who entered into Paradise just three days after the adjournment of our Convention, the Rev. Francis E. Lawrence, D. D., the Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion in the City of New York, the successor of Dr. Muhlenberg in that position, and who from his long residence in the business and ecclesiastical centre of our country, and from his large and pure Catholic-heartedness, seemed to belong to us all. How cheerfully he always welcomed us from our Missionary fields! How true and genuine were his loving sympathies, how judicious his counsel, how ready his generous help! "So grows in heaven our store."

I have received notice, in the course of the year, of the following depositions:

June 14, 1878, Rev. George Milton Hubbard, Deacon, by Bishop Kip.

October 2, 1878, Rev. Herbert C. Miller, Presbyter, by Bishop Williams, acting for Bishop Doane of Albany.

October 5, 1878, Rev. P. B. Morgan, Presbyter, by Bishop Jaggard.

October 5, 1878, Rev. Edson B. Cartmill, Presbyter, by Bishop Jaggard.

October 24, 1878, Rev. John W. Doremus, Deacon, by Bishop Gregg.

November 5, 1878, Rev. J. N. Hume, *Presbyter*, by Bishop Bedell.

December 8, 1878, Rev. J. A. D. Hughes, *Presbyter*, by Bishop Howe, of Central Pennsylvania.

January 31, 1879, Rev. James Lavelle, *Deacon*, by Bishop Scarborough.

January 31, 1879, Rev. William Crawford Wilson, *Deacon*, by Bishop Scarborough.

January 31, 1879, Rev. Thomas B. Newby, *Presbyter*, by Bishop Scarborough.

March 7, 1879, Rev. Robert E. Terry, *Presbyter*, by Bishop Doane.

April 18, 1879, Rev. C. Inglis Chapin, *Presbyter*, by Bishop Howe, of Central Pennsylvania.

May 19, 1879, Rev. A. J. Faust, *Deacon*, by Bishop Pinckney.

In all thirteen (13) are gone from the ministry by deposition. The Lord forgive this wrong, and pity His church. I have also received notice from the Bishop of Massachusetts, on January 1st, 1879, of the withdrawal from candidateship, of Mr. Alfred F. Washburn, and of the displacement from candidateship of Robert M. Neill or O'Neill, for causes affecting his moral character.

I have received from the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops a document signed by himself in behalf of a majority of the whole House of Bishops, assembled in Grace Chapel, in the City of New York, on September 2d and 3d. A. D. 1878, declaring the unanimous action of said Bishops in deposing Samuel Allen McCoskry, then Bishop of Michigan, from the sacred ministry, and from all the offices thereof, for reasons given in said document, and making known the fact of such deposition, on the 3d day of September, 1878; said document being attested by two members of the House of Bishops and by the Acting Secretary of the same.

The action of the House of Bishops in the Michigan case was in two parts. The first action was upon *the resignation tendered*. This was dealt with in strict accordance with our

existing Canons. The resignation was canonically accepted in the mode prescribed by the Canon, and the Diocese was thus made vacant, and so declared, and thus left open for the lawful election of a successor. So far there can be no question.

The other part was in *the deposition* of the resigned Bishop. I was not able to be present at this meeting, but I accept its decision as a lawful and wise action in the circumstances as I understand them. Their action in this particular has been criticised. I defend it on two grounds—on the ground of the admitted inherent right of any sovereign or supreme authority in cases of necessity not provided for by existing laws, and also on the ground of legal analogies.

I. As to the former of these two grounds of defence, it is enough to say, that no such case had ever before arisen. And there was no specific provision for it in our existing Canon Law. But the Church, like every other organized community, has the inherent right of self-protection, through its constituted authorities, and therefore of dealing with new cases as they arise. It is not a novel idea or principle in this Church. Upon this principle almost our whole body of Canon-Law has been created. We have never legislated in advance or for supposable cases. When the case has occurred we have acted upon it, and then framed a Law to provide for future cases. It was so in the well-known New York case, first decided and accepted *de novo*, out of which grew the Canon of Provisional Bishops, and the Canon of the Limitation of Suspensions. It was so in the case of the Resignation of Bishop Chase, of Ohio, first decided on *de novo*, which led at once to our present Canon of Episcopal Resignations.

II. But, apart from the general principle here referred to, accepted and recognized as a sound rule in all our past history, there are *two analogies* which justify this action of the majority of our Bishops. *In the absence of specific legislation, analogies, embodying recognized principles applicable to the case, must control.*

1. If a court had been organized, and a trial had been in

progress under a formal presentment, the neglect or refusal of the accused to appear at the time ordered, would legally have been, and would have been entitled, *contumacy*; and would have subjected him, under all our laws, general and Diocesan, to any penalty which the court might see fit to prescribe. Now, in this case, the absolute and unconditional resignation of his Diocese by the party referred to, and his immediate removal from it and from the United States, thereby preventing all possibility of a formal trial, is plainly of the nature of *contumacy*, and the analogy would leave him subject to any such decision as the House of Bishops might see fit to make. This analogy is conclusive, and is that which in my judgment really applies in the case, and which vindicates the action of the Bishops.

But, if any are not satisfied with this, there is another analogy, which to some minds may be more convincing, and which may be distinctly applied in the present case.

2. The form of his two letters to the Presiding Bishop and through him to the House of Bishops, throwing the whole case upon the Bishops really without conditions, taken in connection with his immediate withdrawal from the country, was a *virtual waiver* on his part of any rights which he may have had under the Canons. And thus he, voluntarily and by his own act, accepted any decision which the Bishops, the canonical judges of their peers, might determine and pronounce. This right of a canonical authority to act *without a trial, under a waiver*, has been recognized and acted upon in our Dioceses, and settled by undisputed precedents. Cases have occurred in several of our Dioceses, in which parties, charged either by public rumor or by formal presentment with offences, or confessing offenses in advance of rumor or presentment, have *with such a waiver* thrown themselves upon the Bishop, to accept without trial and upon his decision alone, such judgment in the case as he should make and pronounce. No one has ever disputed the lawfulness of such decisions, and they have settled into precedents explicit and acknowledged. This analogy, from the action of the indi-

vidual Bishop to that of the House of Bishops, under a waiver, justifies the unanimous majority of the House of Bishops in their action in the Michigan case.

I have presented these views of the subject because, not being present with the House, it seems but right that absent Bishops, when approving the course adopted, should be willing to share the responsibility with their brethren upon whom the trying duty of acting in the case was laid.

I come now, my brethren, to a subject which I am required to present to your consideration and co-operation—that of recognizing and establishing a Cathedral arrangement in our Diocese. As I shall explain the plan proposed you will see that it is a very simple one, practically providing for the unity of our church-work in the city where the Bishop resides, and where our Diocesan Institutions are located. And while the parish of Grace Church, Topeka, which offers itself for the Cathedral parish, will remain substantially independent as to its own strictly parochial relations, and while the existing Diocesan arrangements are not at all interfered with, yet there will be a Cathedral system, which shall be in harmony with Diocesan independence, and in a measure subject to Diocesan control, and which will provide for Diocesan sympathy and aid, and which at the same time shall bring the whole church-work in its several branches in the See city into a complete unity of purpose and mutual co-operation under the proper supervision of the Bishop.

You know that our present parochial system, originating when there was no Bishop in the United States and no conventional or conciliar associations whatsoever, is one of pure congregationalism, having no dependent relations to either Bishop or Convention; and that our Diocesan Institutions stand, each under its own charter, alike independent of Bishop or Convention, except as these charters, on the free motion of the trustees of these institution, recognize certain relations of the Bishop *ex-officio*, and certain relations of the Convention as a body to be informed and reported to.

You know that, under our present ecclesiastical system the

Bishop is appointed to preach to the people and to guide and instruct the flock of Christ ; and that he is the only officer in this Church to ordain ministers : and that he, as the Ordinary, is required to decide and to direct as to matters of Ritual. Yet there is *no canonical or legal provision* by which either place or time is secured to him for the exercise of these essential prerogatives of his office. There is, in his own Diocese no church building in which, as the recognized exponent of the doctrine of the Church, he has the canonical right to enter to enunciate truth or to exhort to duty. There is no place canonically secured, into which he has a right to invite or summon the Diocesan Convention for consultation on the grave interests of the Church or of religion ; or in which, as the *constituted Ordinary*, he can control the service and give to his Diocese an example of regular rubrical methods of procedure in conducting them. Even after the Standing Committee, to which all Episcopal discretion, of which the Bishops have been deprived, has been transferred under our present laws, has placed the candidates before him, yet there is not a church in his Diocese into which he has a *canonical right* to enter to fulfil his bounden duty in ordaining candidates to any order of the ministry. For the privilege of doing all the details of the work for which he has been especially ordained to the Episcopal office, he is indebted solely to the courtesy of the parochial clergy, which, I am happy to say, is never withholden. But it is certainly a very strange inconsistency in our present canonical system, that the Bishop has *no canonical right* to preach in a church or to exercise his Episcopal offices, with only one exception, and that for permission to do his bounden Episcopal duties he has *no legal rights*, but is dependent upon the courtesy of his clergy. The one exception is that of a visitation, when, once in a year or in a limited time, he may appoint a visit to each church in his Diocese for confirmation, and for such services or sermonizings only as may be directly connected with the administration of that Apostolic Rite.

The Cathedral system which is proposed, for this Diocese.

without interference with the proper independence of either parish or convention, secures to the Bishop the right to the use of one church in the city where the Bishop resides, for all Episcopal offices and relations, connecting the Cathedral element or fact in that church, by representation in the Cathedral Chapter, with each Diocesan institution, and with the Convention by similar representation from the Convention itself and from each of its Standing and Executive Committees. Our plan differs somewhat from others in the Church, because we do not wish to absorb the parish into the Cathedral, nor to force the Cathedral into the regular and essential arrangements of the Diocese, but simply to provide for putting the Bishop at the front of church-work in the See city, securing to him there his proper position for the performance of his official duties, and blending into harmonious co-operation, through the Chapter, the Cathedral parish, the Diocesan parishes, the Diocesan Convention, and the Diocesan Institutions.

In arranging our plan we have followed the general plan of the Canon of Nebraska, somewhat modifying, and we think simplifying that plan, and to a large extent copying the language of that Canon which was prepared under the careful supervision of Chancellor Woolworth, the able canonist of that Diocese. We ask your decision upon the Canon.

For the privilege of proposing this plan to the Convention, I am indebted to the very liberal kindness of the parish and vestry of Grace Church, Topeka, at whose suggestion and request our plan has so far been matured. The history of our mutual action is laid before you, that you may read and carefully consider it. May the dear Lord guide us in our deliberations to the benefit and increase of His Church and to the glory of His Holy Name.

APPENDIX B.

ACTION OF GRACE CHURCH IN REFERENCE TO THE CATHEDRAL.

At a meeting of the parish of Grace Church, Topeka, in the parish Church, adjourned from the evening of Easter Monday last to the evening of the Monday next following, April 21st ult., resolutions were introduced instructing the Wardens and Vestry of said Church to open negotiations with the Bishop in reference to the tender of Grace Church to the Bishop and to the Annual Diocesan Convention as a Cathedral Church.

The following are the resolutions :

WHEREAS, There are now permanently located in the city of Topeka two Institutions, known in law as "The Kansas Theological School," and the "College of the Sisters of Bethany," both of which own certain valuable property, command a central position, and give good promise of adding materially to the culture and good name of our city; and,

WHEREAS, We are largely indebted for all that has hitherto been accomplished in their interest, to the earnest faith and to the self-denying labors of the Bishop, who has fixed his home among us, and who has thereby made our beautiful city the centre of Diocesan work and influence; and,

WHEREAS, It is a matter of vital importance and of the greatest consequence to the parish of Grace Church, of which we are members, and for whose prosperity we labor earnestly and pray fervently, as well as to the growth and prosperity of the two Institutions we have named, that there should be the utmost possible unity of heart and of hand in working out the noble purposes for which they were respectively created: therefore

Resolved, That in view of the fact that Topeka is and must ever be, as the Capital of the State and the residence of the Bishop, the centre of Church influence in the Diocese, and recognizing also the principle, that the Bishop should always have under his special charge a church, where he can without let or hindrance minister in word, doctrine and sacraments, according to primitive and Apostolic usage, we respectfully ask and request the Wardens and Vestrymen of Grace Church, Topeka, to offer the church in which we worship, to the Bishop and the Convention of the Diocese, together with our full consent, and on the express understanding that it be hereafter known as the Cathedral Church of the Diocese, of which the Bishop shall be head, with power of

nomination to all the various clerical offices of trust and responsibility, but subject to the approval of the Board or Chapter to be hereafter constituted; and we also authorize and empower them to enter into such arrangements and agreements with the Bishop and with the Convention of the Diocese, as may to them seem necessary and best and most desirable for the complete organization of the system in all its parts, and for putting the same into active and successful operation.

To give time to all concerned for further consideration of the subject, said resolutions were laid upon the table for future action.

On the evening of Monday, May 19th, one month later, at a large parish meeting in the same place, the previous resolutions, instructing the Wardens and Vestry to tender Grace Church as a Cathedral Church to the Bishop and to the Convention, were taken up from the table, and, after full discussion, were adopted by a very large majority; the few dissentients not feeling prepared to vote affirmatively, chiefly or wholly because they wanted further study and more full information on the general subject.

Accordingly, on the evening of Tuesday, May 27th, the Vestry met the Bishop at his rooms, when, with full consultation and conference, the following proceedings were held, as appears upon the record of the Vestry:

On motion the following preamble and resolution were offered:

WHEREAS, It is most in accordance with the usage of Episcopal churches, and with the full and proper exercise of the functions of a Bishop, that he should have special charge over some church edifice and congregation within his Diocese; and,

WHEREAS, It is probable that the city of Topeka, as the capital of the State, will continue to be the most convenient and influential place of residence for the Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas; therefore,

Resolved, By the Wardens and Vestry of Grace Church, Topeka, that their church edifice be and hereby is most respectfully tendered to the Right Reverend Thomas H. Vail, Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, and his successors in office forever, to occupy and enjoy as a Cathedral Church in the free exercise of all the functions of his office at such times and in such ways as may seem to him or them proper; and generally to him and them ever remain absolutely free and unrestricted for all purposes of our most holy religion, as may seem to him or them good.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Whereupon the following resolution was also moved:

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to present a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to Bishop Vail, and, in connection therewith, to request a reply setting forth the terms and conditions upon which he would be pleased to accept Grace Church as in said resolution tendered.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

The Bishop, having received the papers handed to him by the Clerk, returned the following reply:

TOPEKA, KANSAS, May 27, 1879.

To the Wardens and Vestry of Grace Church, Topeka:

MY DEAR BRETHREN: Your communication, enclosing, through

the Clerk, the preamble and resolution of the Vestry, tendering to me, as Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, in accordance with the expressed wish and direction of the parish which you represent, as I have previously been informed, the use and charge of Grace Church, in this city, as the Cathedral Church, is received.

I sincerely thank you, and, through you, the parish which you represent, for this token of your personal regard, as well as of interest in the church in this city and this Diocese, and, in accordance with your request, I state the following as "the terms and conditions," upon your agreement with which I accept the gift and trust which you so kindly tender to me:

First. The Vestry, in consideration of the Bishop's preaching in the church as often as shall be consistent with his duties to the Diocese, grant to him to be in the chancel, and to preach as he may see fit, whenever he is in the city, and to use the church for all Episcopal services, ordinations, lectures, conventions, etc., as he may deem expedient, and also to have the arrangement of all the services in said church subject to his approval.

Second. In case of a vacancy in the rectorship, the Bishop shall nominate to the Vestry any number of clergymen, not less than five, from whom it shall choose and call a Rector, in accordance with and subject to the terms of paragraph one, as above written.

Third. The Bishop shall not be expected to perform pastoral duties—which duties shall be performed as heretofore by the Rector.

The foregoing letter proposing terms, etc., having been duly considered by the Vestry, the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That this Vestry accept the terms and conditions upon which the Bishop, for himself and for his successors in the Episcopate of this Diocese, consents to accept the offer and tender of Grace Church as the Cathedral, and that the agreement with him is hereby concluded upon the conditions submitted.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Thereupon, the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, for the purpose of fully carrying out the expressed wishes of the parish, and completing the plan intended by the Vestry, this Vestry do further tender Grace Church to the Convention of the Diocese as the Cathedral, upon the basis of the agreement here ratified between the Bishop and the corporation of Grace Church, and also of the canon drafted to be introduced into the Convention which is to meet on the 4th of June next, a copy of which is hereto annexed.

The aforesaid resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following is a copy of the canon proposed and referred to in the aforesaid resolution:

CANON RELATING TO THE CATHEDRAL.

SECTION 1. The Convention of the Diocese, acknowledging primitive usage, admitting the See city to be a necessary ele-

ment in Diocesan Episcopacy, and believing the Cathedral therein to be an essential organ of the Bishop for the reality of his office and the discharge of his duties, hereby recognizes the idea and the fact of the Cathedral in the See city as a proper prerogative of the Bishop, and establishes "the Cathedral Chapter of the Diocese of Kansas."

SEC. 2. The Chapter shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall be President and head of the Chapter, *ex officio*; a Dean, appointed by the Bishop, who shall be a presbyter of the Diocese and rector of the congregation connected with the Cathedral; one Canon, who shall be the chaplain of the College of the Sisters of Bethany; one or more Canons, nominated by the Bishop and Dean, and appointed by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, residing in the Cathedral or See city, and assisting in the work and services of the Cathedral; one or more Canons, who shall be the rector or rectors of any church or churches hereafter to be organized in the Cathedral City, and one layman from each of such parishes to be hereafter organized in the Cathedral city, who shall be annually elected, in Easter week, by such parish, or in default of the action of the parish, by the newly elected Wardens and Vestry of the same;* four honorary Canons, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, elected by the Convention on nomination by the Bishop, one of whom shall retire annually, the order of retirement of those first chosen to be determined by lot; one Clerical Chancellor, who shall be, next to the Bishop, at the head of the Theological School of the Diocese; one Lay Chancellor, who shall be learned in the law, and the legal adviser of the Bishop, of the Cathedral Chapter and of the Diocese, and be appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years; one Treasurer, appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years; two clerical and two lay members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, elected by said Standing Committee; the Treasurer of the Diocese; the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese; the Registrar of the Diocese; two clerical and two lay members of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese, elected by the said Missionary Committee; two laymen, who shall be annually elected, in the first week in September, by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, from their own number; and the Clerk of the Chapter.

Seven members, after due notification to all, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A less number may adjourn to a given time, or *sine die*.

SEC. 3. The Chapter shall be incorporated, and shall have power to make its own statutes which shall be made known to and approved by the Convention of the Diocese.

*This clause was dropped out by mistake in the printed copy used at the Convention.

SEC. 4. The congregation of the Cathedral shall be a parish with the usual parochial organization, and with all the rights and privileges of any parish: *Provided*, That the Bishop shall have the right of nomination to the Vestry of the Rector, on such terms as the Bishop and Vestry agree upon, and shall enjoy such other rights and privileges as are proper for him in the Cathedral and as are secured to him in the agreement between him and the Vestry of said Cathedral Church.

SEC. 5. Grace Church, in the See city of Topeka, is hereby adopted and constituted the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Kansas.

MISSIONS IN THE CATHEDRAL, OR SEE CITY.

SECTION 1. The Cathedral Chapter shall be the Board of Missions for the Cathedral or See city.

SEC. 2. No missionary shall be appointed by the Board, unless he shall first have been nominated by the Bishop.

SEC. 3. The Treasurer of the Cathedral Chapter shall be the Treasurer of Missions in the See city.

The following resolution was then offered:

Resolved, That the delegates from this parish to the next annual Convention be instructed to inform said Convention of the action of this parish and of this Vestry in these premises, and to communicate to said Convention the foregoing resolution and canon, and to request said Convention to accept said Cathedral as tendered, and to enact and adopt said canon as one of the Ecclesiastical laws of the Diocese of Kansas.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Whereupon the Vestry adjourned, subject to the call of the Clerk.

APPENDIX C.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALLEN COUNTY.

St. Timothy's Mission of Iola and vicinity, REV. L. L. HOLDEN,
Missionary.

Inhabitants, 800.

Mission work commenced in April, 1878.

Took charge April 1878.

Families, 16.

Congregation: Average at out-station, 60; average in town, 125.

Baptisms: Adult, 1.

Confirmations, 3.

Public services: Sundays, 26; other days, 7; total, 33.

Communicants: Last reported, 11; added by confirmation, 3; by
removal, 2; present number, 16.

Offerings:

Rector's salary and other expenses.....	\$125 00
Bishop's salary.....	5 50
Domestic missions.....	2 00

Total..... \$132 50

The services in Allen county are held every four weeks, on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings, in a *country school house*, twelve miles from Iola, with good congregation and much to encourage in keeping up the work. Seven church families reside there, but too far distant to attend services in town, and yet ready to aid up to their ability.

On Sunday evenings every four weeks, services are held in the city of Iola, and with large congregations and a growing interest in our services. We cannot but hope the good seed of a future harvest is being sown.

The services at Humboldt, Allen county, were suspended early last fall, with the approval of the Bishop; but it is hoped they may be revived again at no distant day.

Diocesan missions at Humboldt..... \$ 8 50

During the year, one Sunday *each* has been given by your Missionary to Parsons, Ottawa and Burlington.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Atchison, FRANK. O. OSBORNE, Rector.

Inhabitants, 11,000, estimated.

Took charge April 1st, 1876.

Individuals not included in families, 50.

Families, 96.

Total of souls in parish, 434.

Baptisms, 20.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 110; on holy days, 43; on other days, 39; total, 192.

Communion, 34.

Communicants: Last reported, 115; admitted, 2; added by removal, 29; lost by removal, 15; died, 1; present No., male, 31; present No., female, 99; total, 130.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 12; scholars, male 54; scholars, female, 58; total, 127.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures, fuel, light, music, etc....	\$ 331 33
Salary of Rector	1,200 00
Communion alms, not otherwise reported	68 09
Sexton	100 00
Sunday School expenses	97 55
Christmas decorations	16 30

Total for Parochial objects..... \$1,813 27

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$ 43 00
Convention assessment	32 00
Diocesan missions	100 00
Needy clergy	8 20

Total for Diocesan objects..... 183 20

For general objects:

Conversion of Jews	\$ 6 25
Domestic missions	5 00
Foreign missions	5 00
Indian missions	5 00
Home missions to colored people	5 00
Education of Theological students	5 00
Yellow fever sufferers	12 80
Church mission to deaf mutes	21 50

Total for general objects..... 65 55

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$2,062 02

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$1,125 56; Sunday School, \$153 35; the offertory, \$442 83; special subscriptions, \$212 40; Ladies' Society, \$147; Parish Missionary Society, \$100.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$15,000; Church, \$15,000; Rectory Fund, \$1,065; total \$17,565. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200. Sunday School library, 280 volumes.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, BENJ. HARTLEY, Rector.

Inhabitants, 6,000.

Took charge April 27th, 1879.

Families, 50.

Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6.

Communicants, 50.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 8; scholars, 60.

Remarks: Having been but one month in the parish, which has been for some time vacant, and consequently in rather a broken condition. I am unable to make any full report. I have great hopes, however, of a revival of interest and material growth.

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY.

Cedar Vale Mission, REV. H. L. ATTWATER, Rector.

During the past Ecclesiastical year, through increasing years and infirmity, I have been able to officiate but few times, and then only at my own house. I have been very feeble during the last winter, yet at Easter I performed the morning service and administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper, none being present but my own family.

We have but seven communicants, including myself.

I would be glad to add more, but do not feel able.

Very respectfully and truly your friend and servant in Christ,

H. L. ATTWATER.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield, REV. WM. H. HICKCOX, Rector.

Took charge July, 1874.

Families, 21; Congregation, 120.

Baptisms: Infants, 6.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 6. Burials, 5.

Public Services: On Sundays, 77; on other days, 28; total, 105;

Communion, 13.

Communicants: Last reported, 53; admitted, 11; lost by removal, 10; died, 1; present No., male, 26; present No., female, 24; total, 54.

Sunday School: Teacher and officer, male, 1; teacher and officer, female, 1; scholars, 18.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures	\$ 90 38
Salary of Rector and other current expenses	205 00
Communion alms	4 20

Total for Parochial objects	\$299 58
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Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop	\$ 23 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan missions.....	50 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	78 00
For general objects:	
Foreign missions	\$ 15 35
Yellow fever sufferers.....	10 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews	5 41
Total for general objects.....	30 76
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$408 34
Source of the above, indicated as follows: Ladies' Society, \$90 38.	
Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$200; Church, \$700; Rectory, \$600; total, \$1,500. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200. Sunday School library, 125 volumes.	

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington, REV. J. THOMPSON CARPENTER, Rector.

Inhabitants, about 2,000.	
Took charge March 1st, 1879.	
Families, 23; Congregation, 95.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 23; on holy days, 1; on other days, 12; total, 36.	
Communions, 4.	
Communicants: Present No., male, 9; present No., female, 21; total, 30.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 3; scholars, male, 23; scholars, female, 44; total, 72.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$107 44
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$107 44
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 19 00
Diocesan missions.....	2 60
Total for Diocesan objects.....	21 60
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$129 04
Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$103 01; the offertory, \$7 03; special subscriptions, \$19.	
Condition of Parish.—Parish debt: Floating, \$150. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500; arrears of salary unpaid, \$46 11.	
Remarks: Having been in charge of this parish but three months, my report is necessarily brief. We have organized a Church-guild, and I hope to be able to report to next Convention	

that *every* member of the parish is engaged in doing some work for Christ and His church.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, REV. GEORGE P. COMINGS, Rector.

Inhabitants, 1,200.

Took charge September 15th, 1878.

Families, 20; Congregation, 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Confirmed, 2. Burials, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 70; on holy days, 5; on other days, 40; total, 115.

Communion, 8.

Communicants: Last reported, 34; admitted, 2; added by removal, 2; died, 2; present No., male, 11; present No., female, 25; total, 36.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, male, 14; scholars, female, 20; total, 40.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures.....	\$ 71 25
Salary of Rector and other current expenses	169 25
Communion alms.....	10 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$250 50

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 15 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan missions for the Jews.....	1 50

Total for Diocesan objects..... 21 50

For general objects:

Contributions from Sunday School.....	\$ 21 73
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Total for general objects..... 21 73

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$293 73

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$140 50; the offertory, \$31 50; Ladies' Society, \$71 25.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$350; Church, \$100; total, \$450. Salary pledged to Rector, \$300. Sunday School library, 50 volumes.

Remarks: Part of the amount on salary was paid to the previous Rector.

DAVIS COUNTY.

Church of the Covenant, Junction City, REV. CHARLES REYNOLDS, D. D., Rector.

Inhabitants, 3,000.

Families, 20; Congregation, 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6.

Confirmed, 5.	Burials, 2.
Public Services: On Sundays, 15.	
Communion, 4.	
Communicants: Last reported, 25; admitted, 5; lost by removal, 6; died, 2; present No., male, 4; present No., female, 18; total, 22.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$300 00
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$300 00
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 11 00
Convention assessment.....	15 00
Diocesan missions.....	3 61
Total for Diocesan objects.....	29 61
Total for all expenditures and offerings.....	\$329 61
Remarks: The church was closed from the 1st of August, 1878, to the middle of April, 1879.	

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lawrence, PAUL ZEIGLER, (Rector till Easter Monday.)	
Inhabitants, 8,000.	
Families, 54; Congregation, 300.	
Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9.	
Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 104; on holy days, 23; on other days, 32; total, 159.	
Communion, 23.	
Communicants: Last reported, 119; admitted, 14; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 15; died, 1; present No., male, 32; present No., female, 86; total, 118.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 6; scholars, male, 30; scholars, female, 48; total, 78.	
Sunday School of St. Simon the Cyrenian: Male teacher, 1; female teacher, 1; scholars, male, 10; scholars, female, 12; total, 24.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Salary of Rector, interest and other current expenses	\$1,063 75
Communion alms.....	23 54
Expenses of Sunday School.....	30 00
Miscellaneous gifts to Rector, about....	270 00
Sinking fund.....	160 00
Ladies' Society, (interest).....	70 00
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$1,547 29
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 35 10
Convention assessment.....	32 60
Diocesan missions.....	9 10
Christmas fund.....	3 40
Total for Diocesan objects.....	80 20

For general objects:

Domestic missions, Foreign missions, Indian missions, (Board from Sunday School)	\$ 6 08
B. White, prayer book society.....	3 25
Conversion of Jews.....	1 26

Total for general objects..... 10 59

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$1,638 08

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$520 80; the offertory, \$546 60; special subscriptions, \$234 18; Ladies' Society, \$70; occasional gifts, \$266.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,500; Church, \$18,000; Chapel, \$2,500; Rectory, \$2,000; total, \$24,000. Parish debt: Funded, \$7,850; floating, \$400; total, \$8,200. Parish library, 40 volumes; Sunday School library, 150 volumes.

Remarks: The Rector of this parish resigned on Easter Monday, since which time the church has been kept open on Sundays by a lay reading, when no clergyman could be procured. The Vestry do not feel justified in putting the Rector's salary at more than \$600 and the rent of the Rectory.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

St. Barnabas Mission of Williamsburg. REV. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

Mission organized January 27th, 1878.

Inhabitants, 300.

Took charge January 27th, 1878.

Families, 12; Congregation, 70.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; infants, 2; total, 3.

Confirmed, 2.

Public Services: On Sundays, 28; on holy days, 2; on other days, 8; total, 38.

Communion, 3.

Communicants: Admitted, 2; lost by removal, 2; present No., male, 4; present No., female, 12; total, 16.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector.....	\$100 00
Current expenses.....	16 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$116 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 2 00
Diocesan missions.....	4 12

Total for Diocesan objects..... 6 12

For general objects:

Domestic missions	\$ 3 00
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Total for general objects..... 3 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$125 72

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Special subscriptions, \$100.

Remarks: Our services are held in the Methodist Church every fourth Sunday, and we are unable to organize a Sunday school. But we are encouraged with good congregations, and evidently a growing interest in our work, and may hope at no distant day to organize a parish and build a church.

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, REV. R. C. TALBOTT, Rector.

Took charge February 14th, 1879.

Families, 65; Congregation, 240.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 4; total, 11.

Confirmed, 18. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2.

Public Services: 125.

Communion, 13.

Communicants: Last reported, 18; admitted, 18; added by removal, 4; total, 40.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; teachers and officers, female, 6; scholars, male 15; scholars, female, 30; total, 56.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures	\$200 00
Salary of Rector and other expenses.....	700 00
Communion alms.....	25 00
Ladies' Society	50 00

Total for Parochial objects	\$ 975 00
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Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 15 00
Convention assessment.....	15 00

Total for Diocesan objects.....	30 00
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For general objects:

Christmas fund.....	\$ 20 00
Domestic missions.....	24 70

Total for general objects.....	44 70
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Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$1,049 70
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Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$500; the offertory, \$200; special subscriptions, \$175; Ladies' Society, \$50.

Condition of Parish.—Parish debt, \$300. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, THOMAS W. BARRY, B. D., Rector.

Inhabitants, 20,000.

Took charge January 1st, 1878.

Families, 102; Congregation, 500.	
Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 4; total, 11.	
Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 7. Burials, 8.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 134; on holy days, 46; on other days, 23; total, 203.	
Communion, 41.	
Communicants: Last reported, 84; admitted, 8; added by removal, 16; lost by removal, 3; present No., male, 21; present No., female, 84; total, 105.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; teachers and officers, female, 8; scholars, male, 54; scholars, female, 67; total, 134.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Expenditures — Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$1,000 00
Communion alms.....	70 00
Offerings for church debt.....	76 00
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$2,106 00
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 30 00
Convention assessment.....	32 00
Diocesan missions.....	16 25
Total for Diocesan objects.....	87 25
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$2,193 00
Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$1,400; the offertory, \$413 50; Ladies' Society, \$379 50.	
Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,000; Church, \$15,000; total, \$16,000. Parish debt, funded, \$1,750.	
Parish library, 50 volumes; Sunday school library, 300 volumes.	
Remarks: During the last six months the Holy Communion has been administered every Sunday with gratifying results. A surplined choir of twenty-six men and boys has been organized and is found to be instrumental in largely increasing the number of worshippers. The parish is in a most prosperous condition, and the outlook bright.	

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia. THOMAS BURROWS, Rector.
Inhabitants, 4,000.
Took charge October 1st, 1878.
Families, 35; Congregation, 116.
Baptisms: Adults, 2.
Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.
Public Services: On Sundays, 42; on other days, 20; total, 62.
Communion, 9.
Communicants: Last reported, 29; admitted, 3; added by removal, 17; lost by removal, 9; present No., male, 12; present No., female, 28; total, 40.
Sunday School: Teacher and officer, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 6; scholars, male, 25; scholars, female, 25; total, 57.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures	\$754 00
Salary of Rector and other current ex- penses	213 76
Communion alms	16 91

Total for Parochial objects..... \$ 984 67

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$ 20 00
Convention assessment	9 00
Diocesan missions	3 58

Total for Diocesan objects..... 32 58

Total of all expenditures and offerings \$1,017 25

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$260 50; the offertory, \$13 91; special subscriptions, \$15: Ladies' Society, \$150 06.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$400; Church, \$3,000; rectory, \$1,000; total, \$4,400. Parish debt, funded, \$550; floating, \$100; total, \$650; Salary pledged to Rector, \$275 50. Sunday school library, 50 volumes.

Remarks: From October to March I officiated also in the parish in Burlington. I preached twenty-two times, administered the Holy Communion three times, and buried two persons.

There is a marked degree of activity in St. Andrew's, Emporia, fourteen new families adding considerably to our parochial statistics and strength. We have a net gain of twenty communicants since last Convention. A good, comfortable rectory has been built. The entire church lot is now fenced and planted with fruit trees and grape vines.

A very excellent cabinet organ has been bought for the church, through the exertions of our ladies, and two-thirds paid for. The balance of \$100 on the organ, and \$550 on the rectory, we hope to pay off in due time.

A very interesting work has been commenced at Council Grove. I have the names of thirty-five communicants in that vicinity. During a recent trip through the limits of that parish I baptized fifteen children. A small class is awaiting confirmation. We have organized a Church of the Messiah there, and hope before long that the new enterprise will have a local habitation. Everything there betokens a very encouraging prospect for building up a good, strong working church.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids, CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Inhabitants, 600.

Took charge, 1872.

Families, 10; Congregation, 45.

Confirmed, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 24; on other days, 5; total, 29.

Communions, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 11; admitted, 1; present No., male, 3; present No., female, 9; total, 12.

Salary of Rector and other current expenses..... \$55 00

Zion Church, Center Township, CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Inhabitants, 250.
Took charge 1872.
Families, 17; Congregation, 40.
Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.
Public Services: On Sundays, 37; on holy days, 1; on other days, 5; total, 43.
Communion, 12.
Communicants: Last reported, 33; admitted, 4; lost by removal, 1; died, 1; present No., male, 19; present No., female, 16; total, 35.

Church of the Annunciation, Frankfort, CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Organized March, 1879.
Families, 10; Congregation, 30.
Baptisms: Infants, 2.
Confirmed, 1.
Public Services: Sundays, 6.
Communion, 1.
Communicants, 14.
Sunday School: Total, 70.

Trinity Church, Irving, CHARLES HOLMES, Rector.

Inhabitants, 350.
Took charge March, 1874.
Families, 14; Congregation, 40.
Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7.
Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 4. Burials, 15.
Public Services: On Sundays, 45; on holy days, 3; on other days, 11; total, 59.
Communion, 16.
Communicants: Last reported, 21; admitted, 2; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 2; died, 2; dropped, 2; present No., male, 6; present No., female, 11; total, 17.

Mission Church, Marysville, Organized 1879.

Inhabitants, 600.
Families, 10.
Baptisms: Infants, 4.
Confirmed, 1.
Public Services, 22.
Communion, 2.
Communicants: Last reported, 7; admitted, 5; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 5; present No., male, 3; present No., female, 5; total, 8.

Offerings--Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses \$125 00

Total for Parochial Objects \$125 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Diocesan missions..... \$ 2 75

Total for Diocesan objects.... 2 75

Total of all expenditures..... \$127 75

Waterville Mission, REV. CHARLES HOLMES.

Eleven services have been held in this town, with three Communion. The congregation averages twenty persons, mostly young people. One confirmed.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY.

St. James' Mission, Maple Hill, REV. CHARLES HOLMES.

Three services have been held here.

Baptisms: Adults, 1.

Confirmed, 6.

The services are sustained by Mr. J. T. Dutton, Lay reader, with only occasional clerical assistance.

Communicants: Last reported, 6; added, 5; present No., 9.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville, REV. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Organized August 26th, 1878.

Took charge March, 1878.

Inhabitants, 600.

Families, 22; Congregation, 100.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 6; total, 23.

Confirmed, 23.

Public Services: On Sundays, 28; on other days, 15; total, 43.

Communion, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 5; admitted, 23; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 2; present No., male, 8; present No., female, 19; total, 27.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 8; scholars, male, 10; scholars, female, 25; Bible class, 10; total, 55.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$ 150 00
Building church, and lot and fixtures....	1,500 00
Organ, already paid and provided for....	120 00
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$1,770 00
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 10 50
Diocesan missions.....	13 58
Total for Diocesan objects.....	24 08
For general objects:	
Domestic missions	\$ 6 00
Total for general objects	6 00
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$1,800 08

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$120; the offertory, \$19 50; special subscriptions, \$925; Ladies' Society, \$150; through Bishop for church, \$500; donations from friends, \$75.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$75; Church, \$1,425. Salary pledged to Rector, \$150; arrears of salary unpaid, \$20.

Remarks: This parish was organized in August, 1878. The corner-stone of the Church was laid in December, built of wood, 24x45 feet, and neatly finished and paid for; was consecrated on the 11th of May, 1879. Up to that date Sunday services were held once in four weeks in the Methodist Church. On the afternoon of Whit Sunday a Sunday school was organized, with results as reported above, and encouraging prospects, and arrangements are now made for services by the Rector for one-half the time. The interest manifested in the services of the church, and the liberality on the part of all in building the church, and the increase of membership during the year have given encouragement to all to work with zeal, in hope of God's blessing.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, REV. ARCHIBALD BEATTY, Rector.

Church organized April, 1872.

Inhabitants, 3,000.

Took charge September, 1878.

Families, 15; Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 38; on other days, 21; total, 59.

Communions, 11.

Communicants: Last reported, 20; admitted, 5; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present No., male, 8; present No., female, 17; total, 25.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 3; scholars, male, 9; scholars, female, 12; total, 25.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$193 40
Communion alms.....	23 94
By the Sunday school.....	3 00
Repairs and improvements.....	196 65

Total for Parochial objects..... \$416 99

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 10 00
Convention assessment.....	15 00
Diocesan missions.....	6 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 31 00

For general objects:

Domestic missions	\$ 5 00
Foreign missions.....	5 00

Total for general objects 10 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$457 99

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$124; the offertory, \$53 54; special subscriptions, \$25; Ladies' Society, \$171 65.

Remarks: In September last, at the call of the Vestry, I took charge of this parish, which I had resigned in 1875. It now gives evidence of renewed life. The increasing attendance indicates a growing attachment to the services of the church. I cannot speak too strongly of the faithful and self-denying work of the Ladies' Aid Society, and of the exemplary and churchly way in which its business is conducted. The present design of the society is to raise sufficient funds to build a vestry-room, and make some necessary improvements in the church building. It is expected that this work will be completed by the first of September.

NEOSHO COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission, REV. R. C. TALBOTT, Rector.

Inhabitants, 900.

Took charge February 14th, 1879.

Families, 12; Congregation, 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4.

Confirmed, 4. Burials, 1.

Public Services, 26.

Communicants: Last reported, 16; admitted, 4; lost by removal, 4; total, 16.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses	\$100 00
Communion alms.....	3 00

Total for Parochial objects.....	\$103 00
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Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 9 50
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Total for Diocesan objects.....	9 50
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Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$112 50
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Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$100; Church, \$800; total, \$900. Salary pledged to Rector, \$150.

Remarks: The present Rector took charge three months ago.

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, REV. JAMES H. LEE, Rector.

Organized 1855.

Took charge January 1st, 1877.

Families, 33; Congregation, 118.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9.

Confirmed, 9. Burials, 5.

Public Services: 95.

Communions, 13.

Communicants: Last reported, 42; admitted, 9; added by re-

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val, 15; died, 5; present No., male, 16; present No., female, 45; al, 61.

unday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and ers, female, 6; scholars, male 25; scholars, female, 25; total, 60.

erings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses \$569 87

Total for Parochial objects..... \$569 87

jects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop..... \$ 24 00

Convention assessment..... 10 00

Diocesan missions..... 11 56

Total for Diocesan objects..... 45 56

general objects:

Domestic missions..... \$ 17 00

Foreign missions..... 11 00

Mission to Jews..... 1 00

Relief to sufferers by yellow fever..... 12 75

Total for general objects..... 41 75

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$657 18

emarks: This report covers work at out-stations within a ius of twenty miles.

SALINE COUNTY.

hrist's Church, Salina, REV. THOMAS B. DOOLEY, Rector.

rganized 1870.

habitants, 2,570.

ook charge 1874.

amilies, 35; Congregation, 150.

aptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 8; total, 26.

onfirmed, 10. Marriages, 5. Burials, 8.

ublic Services: On Sundays, 94; on holy days, 5; on other

s, 18; total, 117.

ommunions, 19.

ommunicants: Last reported, 57; admitted, 10; added by re-

al, 4; lost by removal, 6; died, 1; present No., male, 24; pres-

No., female, 40; total, 64.

nday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and

ers, female, 6; scholars, male, 28; scholars, female, 86; total,

ings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses \$446 78

Communion alms..... 5 00

Organ..... 48 80

Font..... 50 00

To visiting clergyman..... 10 00

Sunday school..... 5 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$565 58

Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 23 00
Convention assessment.....	5 75
Diocesan missions.....	22 31
Total for Diocesan objects	51 06
For general objects:	
Christmas fund	\$ 4 55
Domestic missions.....	7 76
Total for general objects.....	12 31
Total of all expenditures and offerings	\$628 95
Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$354; the offertory, \$144 04; special subscriptions, \$70 54; Ladies' Society (cash on hand), \$24; Sunday school, \$14 66.	
Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$400; Church, \$1,500; total, \$1,900. Parish debt: Floating (organ), \$100. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500. Parish library, 9 volumes: Sunday School library, 108 volumes.	

SEDGWICK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wichita, REV. JOSEPH S. COLTON, Rector.	
Organized April 3, 1874.	
Inhabitants, 5,000.	
Took charge May 1st, 1874.	
Families, 30; Congregation, 125.	
Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14.	
Marriages, 6. Burials, 4.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 77; on holy days, 5; on other days, 40; total, 122.	
Communions, 15.	
Communicants: Last reported, 30; present No., male, 7; present No., female, 33; total, 40.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 7; scholars, male, 25; scholars, female, 45; total, 80.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$ 260 00
Communion alms.....	5 50
Christmas celebration.....	25 00
Erection of church with cost of lot....	2,161 00
Payment on new organ.....	25 00
Insurance	30 00
Sunday school offerings.....	20 88
Woman's guild, furniture, etc.....	70 00
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$2,597 38
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 5 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan missions	4 25
Total for Diocesan objects.....	14 25

For general objects:

Domestic missions	\$ 4 85
Education of theological students	4 50

Total for general objects 9 35

Total of all expenditures and offerings \$2,620 08

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$75; the offertory, \$100; special subscriptions, \$1,327; Ladies' Society, \$520; Bishop, for church building, \$500; Eastern Sunday schools, \$22 50; from Sunday school, \$80; from Woman's guild, \$332.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$330; Church, \$3,031; total, \$2,351. Salary pledged to Rector, \$100. Sunday school library, 110 volumes.

Remarks: Up to December, 1878, I officiated fortnightly at Newton, Harvey county, but since that time have given my time mainly to Wichita, where we have now a good church, seating about two hundred persons. There is much to encourage here. I have officiated twice at Wellington, Sumner county, and several times at Winfield, Cowley county, where there is an excellent nucleus.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Emmanuel church, Monmouth.

Families, 15; Congregation, 25.

Public Services: On Sundays, 21; on holy days, 2; total, 23.

Communicants: Last reported, 23; lost by removal, 4; present No., male, 7; present No., female, 11; total, 18.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses \$105 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$105 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop \$ 13 50

Convention assessment..... 10 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 23 50

For general objects:

American Bible Society \$ 3 25

Total for general objects..... 3 25

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$131 75

Condition of Parish.—Parish debt: Funded, \$50; floating, \$5.

GRACE CATHEDRAL CHURCH, TOPEKA,

Under Bishop in vacancy of Rectorship.

Inhabitants, 11,000.

Organized as Cathedral June 5, 1879.

Families, 90; Congregation, 400.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 4; total, 13.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 145; admitted, 9; lost by removal, 22; died, 2; present No., male, 43; present No., female, 77; total, 130.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 6; scholars, male, 15; female, 35; total, 61.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$1,279 00
Communion alms	13 50

Total for Parochial objects.....	\$1,292 50
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Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop	\$ 60 00
Convention assessment.....	32 00
Diocesan missions.....	65 37

Total for Diocesan objects.....	157 37
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For general objects:

Christmas fund	\$ 8 00
Domestic missions	10 00
Foreign missions.....	10 38
Deaf mutes	4 80
Sufferers from cyclone at close of Convention	23 55

Total for general objects.....	60 73
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Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$1,510 60
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Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$375; the offertory, \$204; special subscriptions, \$300; Ladies' Society, \$100.

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,000; Church, \$5,000; Rectory, \$2,500. Parish debt: Funded, \$425. Salary pledged to Rector, \$800 and house. Sunday school library, 150 volumes.

Remarks: The parish has been without a Rector since January 15th ult. The Bishop has, at the request of the Vestry, had general charge, and has seen to the supply of the regular public services, and done as much of pastoral work as was possible with his many other engagements and duties. The Rev. J. F. Walker is soon to have temporary charge, and the best results are to be hoped from his judicious oversight.

WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, REV. F. R. HOLEMAN, Rector.

Families, 13; Congregation, 60.

Baptisms: Infants, 5.

Confirmed, 7.

Communicants: Last reported, 16; present No., 43.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communion alms.....	\$ 8 46
Contributions:	
Rector's salary	\$80 00
Jews	1 05
Diocesan missions.....	97
Assessment	14 00
Total contributions.....	\$103 48

Condition of Parish.—Value of Church and lot, \$1,000; rectory, \$1,500. Salary pledged and paid, \$20 per month.

The present Rector has been in charge since March 1st, 1879, but spent a few weeks in the parish in the fall of last year.

REV. J. L. GAY.

I resigned St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, on the 18th of October last, but continued to reside there, and do missionary duty in southeastern Kansas until the 30th of January following, when I finally resigned it and left the Diocese.

Besides officiating regularly in the church at Parsons until the date of my resignation, I have to report as performed by me in that parish:

Marriages, 3. Burials, 2; and 3 baptisms of infants.

In St. Peter's, Osage Mission: 1 burial, and 2 baptisms—infants.

In Oswego: 2 baptisms—infants.

In Baxter Springs: Baptisms: 2 adults; 4 infants.

Fuller reports were made to the Bishop and to the Diocesan Missionary Committee of my mission during and immediately after I resigned it.

J. L. GAY.

Fayette, Missouri, May 30th, 1879.

REV. JOHN WOART.

I would respectfully report to the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, that since the meeting of the Convention of the Diocese at Emporia, in June, 1878, I have continued to perform ministerial duties at this military post as a Chaplain in the United States army.

Baptisms, eleven.

Marriages, two. Funerals, nine. One person has been confirmed.

The Lord's Supper has been celebrated every month; usually to thirteen persons.

In my report to the Adjutant General of the United States army at the close of the month of November, 1878, I said:

"It is with *great pleasure* that I mention that on Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of the present month, I performed religious services at the opening of a new Post Chapel recently completed at this military post. It is well built, very handsome, and admirably adapted to the purposes for which it was erected. God's Holy name be praised!"

JOHN WOART,

Presbyter.

Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, June 3d, 1879.

REV. CHARLES REYNOLDS, D. D.,

Post Chaplain, United States Army, Fort Riley.

During the past conventional year I have held regular services at this post; have visited the sick in hospital and in quarters; have attended three funerals and have baptized three children. During June and July, 1878, and from April 20th, 1879, to the present time, I have officiated once every Sunday in the Church of the Covenant, Junction City.

Fort Riley, June 4th, 1879.

REV. CHARLES HOLMES.

Rt. Rev. T. H. Vail, D. D., LL.D.:

MY DEAR BISHOP: I believe that I have never before presented so incomplete a report of the work of this Mission. The confusion of the past few weeks, owing to the trouble caused by the cyclone, has hardly yet passed, for I have had three sick boys at my home for a time, and have one yet. My papers have been mislaid, and can't be found, and so only so much of a report is sent as I know is accurate. You may judge of the confusion we have been in when as many as fifteen persons have at times slept in our little home, and our table has been set twelve times in a day. Add to this the constant coming in of persons to see the sick or to get supplies, and all to be attended to in so small a house. This of course is past, but it has left us pretty tired.

Besides my report for my own immediate field, I have held six services in Beloit, baptized two adults and five children, and organized what promises to be a flourishing parish. I have in all held one hundred and eighty-one services, forty communions, twenty baptisms, five marriages, eighteen funerals. To do these duties I have had to travel 4,000 miles.

The present month concludes seven years of service in this county, in which time God has permitted me to see about eighty communicants added to our church here. May God still give His blessing.

Believe me, my dear Bishop, yours in Christ,

CHARLES HOLMES.

REV. JOHN W. BIRCHMORE.

To the Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL.D., Bishop of Kansas:

The undersigned, residing in Abilene, Dickinson county, reports that in June, 1878, he began to hold two services on Sunday in the Court House. These followed the services held every other Sunday for some time before by Rev. Mr. Lee, of Manhattan, and Rev. Mr. Dooley, of Salina.

During the time from June, 1878, to April, 1879, many heard the word, and the Holy Communion was given ten times, including Easter Day, 1879. Number of communicants receiving, usually about ten. One person has been confirmed, one child buried, and one marriage performed.

In January, 1879, a Sunday school with a Bible class was begun in my own house. Scholars, about eighty; average attendance, forty. Also a sewing school has met on Saturday; begun in order to get acquainted with children. The Sunday school and the sewing school are continued, though the public services on the Lord's day were given up after the first Sunday after Easter in accordance with your wishes expressed to me about that time. Of course I continue to hold divine service in my own house.

Respectfully, JOHN W. BIRCHMORE.

APPENDIX D.—STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

TOWN OR CITY.	COUNTY.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR MISSIONS.	BAPTISM.			COMMUNICANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOL.			CONTRIBUTIONS.						
			Total	Adults	Infants.	Buried.	Married.	Confirmed.	Added.	Died or removed.	Present number.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Total	Communion alms.	Objects within the Parish.	Objects in the Diocese.	General objects.	Total
Abilene	Dickinson	St. John's	15	50		1	3	4	115	31	16	130	15	112	125	\$68 09	\$150 00		\$ 150 00
Atchison	Atchison	Trinity.	96	431		1	3	4	115	31	16	130	15	112	125	\$68 09	2,150 11	\$45 55	2,195 11
Baxter Springs	Cherokee	St. Mark's	6	6								8					15 00	15 00	15 00
Beaumont	Mitchell	Christ.	16	16		4						24					60 00	60 00	60 00
Blue Rapids	Marshall	Trinity.	10	45		2						12					55 00	55 00	55 00
Burlington	Coffey	Ascension.	23	95		3						10	5	67	72		107 44	21 60	129 04
Cawker City	Mitchell	Trinity.	8	8		2						10							
Cedar Vale	Chautauqua	Trinity.	5	5								1							
Center Township	Marshall	Zion.	17	40		3	1	3	33	4	2	35				10 00	2 00		12 00
Chetopa	Marshall	St. Paul's.	3	3								4				100 00	10 00		100 00
Council Grove	Morris	Messiah	25	100								32				25 00			25 00
Coffeyville	Montgomery.	St Paul's.	22	100	17	6	23	5	24	2	2	27	10	35	55	1,770 00	24 04	6 00	1,800 04
Dodge City	Ford	St. Cornelius	8	8								12							
Ellis	Ellis		4	4								8				25 00			25 00
Ellsworth	Ellsworth	Holy Apostles.	10	10								16				964 67	32 86		1,034 16
Emporia	Lyon	St. Andrew's.	35	116		2	2	4	20	20	0	40	7	50	57	16 91			5 00
Eureka	Greenwood	St Thomas's	10	10								15					5 00		
Ft. Leavenworth	Ellis		8	8		11	1	2	9			9							
Fort Riley	Barton	St. Andrew's.	50	250		2	3	6				8				800 00	46 20		846 20
Fort Scott	Marshall	Annunciation	10	30	2	2	1					50	12	60	72	25 00			95 00
Frankfort	Marshall		8	8		2						14			70	10 00			10 00
Great Bend	Barton		20	75	2	2	2	4	34	4	2	36	6	34	40	10 00	240 50	20 00	272 00
Girard	Crawford	St. John's	5	5								6				30 00	30 00	1 50	30 00
Hays City	Ellis	Calvary.	10	10								12							
Hiawatha	Brown		20	60	4	4						30				10 00			10 00
Hutchinson	Reno	Emmanuel	10	40								12							
Humboldt	Allen	Epiphany.	15	50	11	2	13	4	1	20	11	6	25	4	25		100 00	31 00	131 00
Independence	Montgomery.	St. Timothy	16	100	1	1	3			1	5	16				416 89	6 50	8 50	425 39
Iola	Allen	Trinity	14	40	6	1	7	1	4	15	21	3	7	17		125 00	5 50	2 00	132 50
Junction	Davis	Covenant	20	75	4	2	6			5		22				50 00	300 00		350 00
Lawrence	Pawnee	Ft. n Century	8	8								12					29 01		29 01

Lawrence	Douglas	Trinity	64	300	7	2	9	7	3	5	110	15	10	118	121	102	114	1,547 20	40 20	10 80	1,034 06
Leavenworth	Leavenworth	Ch. of St. Paul	102	500	7	4	11	8	7	8	84	24	3	105	131	121	134	2,103 00	87 20		2,103 26
Lehigh	Pottawatomie	St. James	6	25	3	1	4	6	6	3	6	3	5	9				500 87	45 80	41 70	657 18
Marshall	Marshall	St. Paul's	23	118	7	2	9	9	5	5	42	24	5	61				125 00	3 75		127 75
Monmouth	Shawnee	Emmanuel	10	40	4	4	4	1			7	6	5	23	0	40	40	101 00	23 50	3 25	131 75
Mouth	William		15	50																	
Neodesha	William		10	60														60 00			60 00
Newton	Jackson	Christ	13	70																	
Olathe	Harvey	St. Matthews	18	70																	
Oklahoma	Johnson		8																		
Osage Mission	Jefferson	St. Mark's	6																		
Oswego	Neosho	St. Peter's	12	75	2	4	4	4	1	10	4	4	4	16				103 00	9 50		112 50
Ottawa	Laurette		6															20 00			20 00
Padua	Franklin	Holy Comforter	10	40														50 00			50 00
Parsons	Miami	St. James	8																		
Russell	Laurette	St. John's Mem.	45	240	7	4	11	18	3	2	18	22	10	40	11	45	56	975 00	30 00	44 70	1,019 70
Salina	Russell	Christ	6																		
Seneca	Saline		35	150	18	8	20	10	5	8	57	14	7	64	8	114	122	565 58	51 06	12 31	628 95
Shawnee	Neenah	Grace	8															25 00			25 00
Topeka	Shawnee	Trinity	90	400	9	4	13	10	3	4	145	9	22	130	11	50	61	1,279 00	157 37	60 73	1,510 60
Troy	Danphian	St. George's	10															150 00			150 00
Victoria	Ellis	St. John's	21	120	6	6	6	6	5	53	11	10	30	34	2	18	20	290 58	78 00	30 70	408 34
Wakarusa	Clay		4																		
Wakeeney	Trego	St. Luke's	3																		
Wamego	Pottawatomie		5	20														8 00			8 00
Waterville	Marshall		5	20														10 00			10 00
Wellington	Sumner		8															10 00			10 00
Wetmore	Neenah		4																		
Wichita	Sedgewick	St. John's	30	125	12	2	14	6	4	30	10	40	40	10	70	80	5 50	2,507 38	14 25	9 35	2,626 48
Winifred	Franklin	St. Barnabas	12	70	2	1	3	2		2	2	2	2	16				116 00	6 12	3 00	125 72
Winfield	Cowley		15	60	5	5	7	1	2	16	27	43	43	300				40 00			40 00
Wyandotte	Wyandotte	St. Paul's	13	60	5	5	7	1	2	16	27	43	43	300				40 00	14 07	1 05	104 84
Additional at points unorganized or not reported			175																		
Total			1,370 428 5	1,354 41 100	147 50 984	920 279	120	1949	132	630	1149	6311 64	\$1029 30	\$114,046 87	\$122 80	\$1029 30	\$311 64	\$19,510 37			

APPENDIX E.

CANON IV.

Relating to the Cathedral.

SECTION 1. The Convention of the Diocese, acknowledging primitive usage, admitting the See city to be a necessary element in Diocesan Episcopacy, and believing the Cathedral therein to be an essential organ of the Bishop for the reality of his office and the discharge of his duties, hereby recognizes the idea and the fact of the Cathedral in the See city as a proper prerogative of the Bishop, and establishes "the Cathedral Chapter of the Diocese of Kansas."

SEC. 2. The Chapter shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall be President and head of the Chapter, *ex-officio*; a Dean, appointed by the Bishop, who shall be a presbyter of the Diocese and rector of the congregation connected with the Cathedral; one Canon, who shall be the chaplain of the College of the Sisters of Bethany; one or more Canons, nominated by the Bishop and Dean, and appointed by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, residing in the Cathedral or See city, and assisting in the work and services of the Cathedral; one or more Canons, who shall be the rector or rectors of any church or churches hereafter to be organized in the Cathedral city, and one layman from each of such parishes to be hereafter organized in the Cathedral city, who shall be annually elected, in Easter week, by such parish, or in default of the action of the parish, by the newly elected Wardens and Vestry of the same;* four honorary Canons, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, elected by the Convention on nomination by the Bishop, one of whom shall retire annually, the order of retirement of those first chosen to be determined by lot; one Clerical Chancellor, who shall be, next to the Bishop, at the head of the Theological school of the Diocese; one Lay Chancellor, who shall be learned in the law, and the legal adviser of the Bishop, of the Cathedral Chapter and of the Diocese, and be appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office

*This clause was dropped out by mistake in the printed copy used at the Convention.

shall be four years; one Treasurer, appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years; two clerical and two lay members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, elected by said Standing Committee; the Treasurer of the Diocese; the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese; the Registrar of the Diocese; two clerical and two lay members of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese, elected by the said Missionary Committee; two laymen, who shall be annually elected, in the first week in September, by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, from their own number; and the Clerk of the Chapter.

Seven members, after due notification to all, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A less number may adjourn to a given time, or *sine die*.

SEC. 3. The Chapter shall be incorporated, and shall have power to make its own statutes, which shall be made known to and approved by the Convention of the Diocese.

SEC. 4. The congregation of the Cathedral shall be a parish, with the usual parochial organization, and with all the rights and privileges of any parish: *Provided*, That the Bishop shall have the right of nomination to the Vestry of the Rector, on such terms as the Bishop and Vestry agree upon, and shall enjoy such other rights and privileges as are proper for him in the Cathedral and as are secured to him in the agreement between him and the Vestry of said Cathedral Church.

SEC. 5. Grace Church, in the See city of Topeka, is hereby adopted and constituted the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Kansas.

MISSIONS IN THE CATHEDRAL OR SEE CITY.

SECTION 1. The Cathedral Chapter shall be the Board of Missions for the Cathedral or See city.

SEC. 2. No missionary shall be appointed by the Board, unless he shall first have been nominated by the Bishop.

SEC. 3. The Treasurer of the Cathedral Chapter shall be the Treasurer of Missions in the See city.

CANON V.

Of Missions not fully Organized as Parishes.

Persons desirous of the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church in any town, city, or rural neighborhood, in the State of Kansas, may make application to the Bishop to be organized as a mission. The following shall be the mode of procedure with the form and obligation:

Reverend Father in God, We the undersigned, residents of _____, county of _____, desirous of obtaining the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and ready according

to our ability to sustain the same, do hereby ask you to appoint a Mission at this place, and to provide for Public Services as you may deem expedient.

We agree to put ourselves under your charge, promising conformity to the doctrine, discipline and worship of said Church, to the Constitution and Canons of the same, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Kansas.

Furthermore, we contract and agree to raise among ourselves and pay to the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Kansas, every year, such contribution as may be assumed by us as our *minimum* toward the stated salary of the missionary who may be sent to us. And we now agree for the first year to pay in quarterly installments the amount, at least of ——— dollars.

This application shall be signed by all of legal age who propose to become members of the Mission.

If the Bishop consent to the above request, he shall appoint the following officers for the first year, and after that, annually in Easter week: Two church-wardens, one or more vestrymen, a treasurer and a clerk.

The Missionary shall be appointed by the Bishop and confirmed by the Executive Missionary Committee.

DUTIES OF THE WARDENS, TREASURER AND CLERK.

The duties of the Wardens shall be the same as the Wardens of parishes as specified in Section 4, Canon IV, of the Diocese of Kansas. In the absence of the Missionary the Senior Warden shall be the presiding officer.

The duty of the Treasurer shall be to collect or receive all moneys contributed by the Mission, and to remit or disburse them in accordance with the rules of the Executive Missionary Committee.

The duty of the Clerk shall be to keep a record of meetings and events of importance to the Mission, and a list of its families and members; to have the custody of the register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, etc., if the Missionary be non-resident. But he shall make no entries therein unless requested so to do by the Missionary or Wardens. He shall attend promptly to any correspondence required by or for the Mission.

Realty or other property donated to, or purchased by, the Mission shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese and his successors in office, to be held in trust until a parish is organized within the corporate limits of the Mission.

Whenever a Mission Station, thus organized, shall number twenty or more actual communicants, and shall pledge \$300 for the support of a Rector, then the said Mission shall be authorized to organize as an independent parish.

The Mission duly organized shall report at the time of the An-

nual Convention through the Missionary, or if there be no Missionary in charge, through its Lay Reader, or through the Clerk of the Mission.

Each Mission shall be entitled to send one lay delegate to every Diocesan Convention of the Diocese, to be elected in accordance with Sec. 3, Art. III, of the Constitution; said delegate shall have a seat and voice in Convention, but shall not be entitled to vote, except when the vote is taken *viva voce*.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

I.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, with power to sit during the recess of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to prepare, during or before the season of Lent in each year, a printed circular, addressed to the communicants of the Church in this Diocese, to be sent by the rector or minister in charge, or by the lay-reader, or by the wardens if no rector, of each parish or station, to every communicant or family of communicants, which can thus be reached in the Diocese; also, the committee is to send to every rector, minister, lay-reader or warden, competent to oversee the matter, a sufficient number of the above-mentioned circulars, with any written instructions as to the use of them which the committee may deem necessary; also, to take any other steps looking to the full collection of the annual assessments upon the communicants of any parish or station. The circular above mentioned to contain full information as to the condition of the endowment fund, the withdrawal of missionary aid, the necessity of providing a larger support for our Diocesan, and the importance of action by the Diocese through its individual communicants.

II.

Resolved, That the parochial clergy and missionaries of the Diocese of Kansas be required to furnish families and individuals who are attached to our Church—whether they be communicants or not—and who are about to remove into other parishes or mission stations in the Diocese, such letters of commendation and other information as will secure for them fraternal welcome and pastoral sympathy; and be required also, whenever practicable, to send duplicate letters to the clergyman under whose charge the person or persons so removing may expect to go.

APPENDIX F.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. FARNSWORTH, TREASURER, In account with Parochial Assessment for Support of Episcopate.

1878.	Receipts.	Dr.	1878.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 5	To cash balance in Treasury.....	\$119 50	June 8	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	\$125 00
June 8	To cash Emmanuel Church, Humboldt.....	1 00	June 11	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	140 00
June 8	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	1 50	June 22	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	10 00
June 8	To cash Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	9 00	July 11	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	10 75
June 8	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	9 00	Sept. 10	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	7 00
June 8	To cash St. John's Church, Wichita.....	10 00	Oct. 12	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	6 00
June 8	To cash Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	12 00	Dec. 12	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	1 00
June 8	To cash St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....	11 50			
June 8	To cash St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	9 50	1879.		
June 8	To cash Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	13 00	Mar. 5	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	27 15
June 8	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	30 00	April 21	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	10 00
June 8	To cash St. John's Church, Girard.....	4 00	May 20	By cash paid Bishop Val.....	24 00
June 8	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	22 50	June 3	By balance in Treasury.....	288 50
June 8	To cash St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	4 50			
June 10	To cash Christ's Church, Netawaka.....	4 50			
June 13	To cash St. John's Church, Girard.....	7 50			
June 19	To cash Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	11 00			
June 20	To cash St. Mark's Church, Blue Rapids.....	1 00			
June 20	To cash St. Matthew's Church, Newton.....	6 50			
July 5	To cash Cedar Vale Mission.....	5 00			
July 11	To cash Emmanuel Church, Humboldt.....	2 00			
July 11	To cash Mission at Coffeyville.....	3 75			
Sept. 3	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	7 65			
Sept. 14	To cash St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	5 00			
Oct. 12	To cash Ascension Church, Burlington (back dues).....	5 00			
				Total.....	\$681 00

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Oct. 23	To cash Trinity church, Lawrence.....	6 46
Dec. 3	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	5 50
Dec. 11	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	6 00
Dec. 12	To cash Christ's Church, Netawaka.....	1 00
1879.		
Feb. 8	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	4 20
April 14	To cash Grace Church, Topeka.....	1 00
April 21	To cash St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	10 00
May 2	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	20 00
May 22	To cash St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	3 00
May 23	To cash Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	12 00
May 28	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	7 00
May 31	To cash Emmanuel Church, Moundville.....	11 15
June 2	To cash St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	12 50
June 3	To cash Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	24 00
June 3	To cash Grace Church, Topeka.....	4 00
June 3	To cash Trinity Church, Atchison.....	60 00
June 3	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	43 00
June 3	To cash St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	22 50
June 3	To cash Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	25 00
June 3	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	11 00
June 3	To cash St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville.....	12 00
June 3	To cash Iowa Mission.....	10 50
June 3	To cash Williamsburg Mission.....	5 50
June 3	To cash St. John's Church, Girard.....	2 00
June 3	To cash St. John's Church, Wichita.....	15 00
June 3	To cash St. Luke's Church, Wamego.....	5 00
June 3	Total.....	5 00

\$641 94

J. W. FAIRSWORTH, TREASURER, In account with the Convention of the Diocese.

1878.	Receipts.	Dr.	1878.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 5	To cash balance in Treasury.....	\$102 82	Aug. 6	By cash paid F. P. Baker & Sons on printing journal.....	\$100 00
June 8	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	5 00	Sept. 10	By cash paid F. P. Baker & Sons on printing journal.....	42 34
June 8	To cash Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	1 00	Nov. 19	By cash paid F. P. Baker & Sons balance on printing journal.....	10 80
June 8	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	5 00	Dec. 11	By cash paid Bishop Vail on account of Lawrence Journal Co., for printing 1,000 circulars.....	6 00
June 8	To cash St. John's Memorial Church, Wichita.....	5 00	June 3	By balance in treasury.....	180 28
June 8	To cash St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....	10 00		Total.....	\$339 42
June 8	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	5 00			
June 8	To cash St. John's Church, Girard.....	5 00			
June 19	To cash Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	11 00			
June 19	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....				
1879.					
April 14	To cash Grace Church, Topeka.....	1 00			
May 5	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	9 00			
May 22	To cash St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	11 00			
May 31	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	2 00			
May 31	To cash Post Chapel, Fort Leavenworth.....	5 00			
June 2	To cash Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	10 00			
June 2	To cash St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	10 00			
June 3	To cash Grace Church, Topeka.....	32 00			
June 3	To cash Trinity Church, Abilene.....	32 00			
June 3	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	21 00			
June 3	To cash St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	32 00			
June 3	To cash Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	15 00			
June 3	To cash St. John's Church, Girard.....	5 00			
June 3	To cash St. John's Church, Wichita.....	3 00			
	Total.....	\$339 42			

TREASURER'S SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

J. W. FARNSWORTH, TREASURER. In account with Parochial Assessment for support of Episcopate.

1878.	Receipts.	Dr.	1878.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 3	To cash balance in treasury.....	\$298 20	June 3	By over-credit to Grace Church, Topeka.....	\$ 1 00
June 4	To cash E. W. Spencer, Council Grove, 1878-9.....	1 00	June 9	By cash paid Bishop Vall.....	244 20
June 4	To cash Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	10 00	June 19	By cash paid Bishop Vall.....	4 50
June 4	To cash St. George's Church, Victoria.....	17 00		Total.....	.....
June 4	To cash St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....	8 00			.....
June 4	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	10 00			.....
June 4	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	11 00			.....
June 4	To cash St. James Mission, Pottawatomie county.....	4 50			.....
May 19	Total.....	.....			.....

J. W. FARNSWORTH, TREASURER. In account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.

1878.	Receipts.	Dr.	1878.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 3	To cash balance in treasury.....	\$190 28	June 3	By over-credit to Grace Church, Topeka.....	\$1 00
June 4	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	3 75	June 7	By cash paid Lawrence Journal Co. for printing	6 00
June 4	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	5 00		1,000 circulars per F. E. Stimpson.....	1 25
June 4	To cash Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	15 00	June 7	By cash postage on same per F. E. Stimpson.....	.....
June 28	To cash St. John's Church, Wichita.....	2 00		Total.....	.....
	Total.....	.....			.....

APPENDIX G.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

BISHOP VAIL, TREASURER, In account with Contributors to Diocesan Missions.

1878--79.		DR.
To balance on hand, as per last Journal.....	\$436 41	
To cash from Trinity Church, Atchison.....	100 00	
To cash from Grace Church, Topeka.....	65 37	
To cash from Marshall County Missions.....	62 00	
To cash from Clay County Missions.....	50 00	
To cash from Bishop Vail, special for Kansas Churchman.....	25 00	
To cash from Christ Church, Salina.....	22 31	
To cash from St. George's Church, Victoria.....	21 30	
To cash from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	16 25	
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville.....	13 66	
To cash from collections at Convention of 1879.....	13 34	
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	11 62	
To cash from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	9 10	
To cash from St. John's Mission, Humboldt.....	8 50	
To cash from Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	8 01	
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	7 08	
To cash from St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....	6 75	
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	6 20	
To cash from St. John's Church, Wichita.....	4 25	
To cash from St. Barnabas's Mission, Williamsburg.....	4 12	
To cash from St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	4 00	
To cash from Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	3 61	
To cash from St. Matthew's Church, Newton.....	2 90	
To cash from Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	2 60	
To cash from Mission at Cedar Vale.....	2 00	
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	1 97	
Total.....	\$908 57	
Amount actually received since last Convention.....	\$472 16	
1878--79.		CR.
By cash paid Rev. J. L. Gay, Missionary at Parsons, etc.....	\$250 00	
By cash paid Rev. Joseph S. Colton, Missionary at Wichita, etc.....	150 00	
By cash paid Rev. J. E. Ryan, Missionary trip to Emporia	7 50	
By cash paid Rev. Chas. Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county, etc.....	100 00	
By cash paid Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Missionary in Clay county, etc.....	100 00	
By cash paid Rev. H. H. Loring, special for Kansas Churchman.....	25 00	
By cash paid harness. &c., for Shawnee County Missions.....	7 05	
By cash paid Rev. C. Holmes, four Missionary trips to Beloit.....	25 00	
By cash paid Rev. D. W. Cox, Missionary trip to Columbus.....	10 00	
By error in last year's account.....	05	
By balance in Treasurer's hands.....	233 97	
Total.....	\$908 57	
Amount actually expended since last Convention.....	\$674 00	

APPENDIX H.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct. They recommend the following assessments for the ensuing year, and call attention to the amounts due for past years.

CONVENTION ASSESSMENT.	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	Total.
Abilene, St. John's.....			\$ 5 00	\$ 5 00	\$10 00
Atchison, Trinity.....				32 00	32 00
Beloit.....				5 00	5 00
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's.....			3 00	3 00	6 00
Burlington, Ascension.....		\$9 00	10 00	10 00	29 00
Centre Township, Zion.....			3 00	3 00	6 00
Council Grove, Messiah.....				5 00	5 00
Coffeyville, St. Paul's.....				5 00	5 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's.....				10 00	10 00
Fort Leavenworth, Post.....				5 00	5 00
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's.....			21 00	21 00	42 00
Girard, St. John's.....				5 00	5 00
Independence, Epiphany.....	\$5 00	\$5 00	5 00	5 00	20 00
Junction City, Covenant.....				10 00	10 00
Leavenworth, St. Paul.....				32 00	32 00
Lawrence, Trinity.....				15 00	15 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's.....				5 00	5 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel.....				3 00	3 00
Newton, St. Matthew's.....				3 00	3 00
Osage Mission, St. Peter's.....			3 00	3 00	6 00
Parsons, St. John's Memorial.....			5 00	8 00	13 00
Salina, Christ's Church.....			8 00	10 00	18 00
Topeka, Grace.....				32 00	32 00
Victoria, St. George's.....				4 00	4 00
Wakefield, St. John's.....			5 00	5 00	10 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's.....				5 00	5 00
Wichita, St. John's.....			2 00	5 00	7 00
Total.....	\$5 00	\$14 00	\$70 00	\$261 00	\$350 00

BISHOP'S SALARY.	1878.	1879.	1880.	Total.
Abilene, St. John's.....			\$ 8 00	\$ 8 00
Atchison, Trinity.....			57 50	57 50
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's.....	\$1 00	6 00	5 50	12 50
Beloit.....			10 00	10 00
Burlington, Ascension.....		4 40	10 00	14 40
Coffeyville, St. Paul's.....			10 00	10 00
Council Grove, Messiah.....			10 00	10 00
Cedar Vale, Mission.....			3 50	3 50
Center Township, Zion.....		12 50	16 50	29 00
Ellsworth, Holy Apostles.....			8 00	8 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's.....			14 50	14 50
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's.....		31 50	31 50	63 00
Girard, St. John's.....			17 00	17 00
Independence, Epiphany.....			10 00	10 00
Iola, St. Timothy.....			5 00	5 00
Irving, Trinity.....		7 00	3 00	10 00
Junction City, Covenant.....			11 00	11 00
Leavenworth, St. Paul.....			42 00	42 00
Lawrence, Trinity.....	2 05	68 00	59 50	129 55
Manhattan, St. Paul's.....			21 00	21 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel.....			11 50	11 50
Newton, St. Matthew's.....			7 00	7 00
Netawaka, Christ.....			5 00	5 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mark's.....	2 50	3 50	3 50	9 50
Osage Mission, St. Peter's.....		50	4 00	4 50
Ottawa, Holy Comforter.....			3 00	3 00
Parsons, St. John's.....		12 50	8 50	21 00
Salina, Christ.....		2 00	29 00	31 00
Topeka, Grace.....			72 50	72 50
Victoria, St. George's.....			14 00	14 00
Wakefield, St. John's.....		10 50	10 00	20 50
Wamego, St. Luke's.....			8 00	8 00
Wichita, St. John's.....			15 00	15 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's.....			20 50	20 50
Total.....	\$5 55	\$158 40	\$565 00	\$728 95

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRANK O. OSBORNE,
FRED. R. STIMPSON,
CODDINGTON BILLINGS, Jr.

APPENDIX I.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

_____ County (town or city), _____ inhabitants.
 _____ Church, organized _____.
 _____ Rector. Took charge _____.
 Families, _____; congregation, _____.
 Baptisms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —.
 Confirmed, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.
 Public Services: On Sundays, —; on holy days, —; on other days, —; total, —.
 Communions, —.
 Communicants: Last reported, —; admitted, —; added by removal, —; lost
 by removal, —; died, —; present number, male, —; female, —; total, _____.
 Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, —; female, —; total, —; scholars,
 male, —; female, —; total, —.

OFFERINGS

Expenditures, \$—; salary of Rector and other current expenses, \$—; commu-
 nion alms, \$—; total of parochial objects, \$—. Salary of the Bishop, \$—; Con-
 vention assessment, \$—; Diocesan missions, \$—; total of Diocesan objects, \$—;
 Christmas fund, \$—; domestic missions, \$—; foreign missions, \$—; Indian mis-
 sions, \$—; home missions to colored people, \$—; education of Theological
 students, \$—; total for general objects, \$—. Total of all expenditures and offer-
 ings, \$—.

The source of the above is indicated as follows:

Pew rents, \$—; regular subscriptions, \$—; the offertory, \$—; special subscrip-
 tions, \$—; Ladies' Society, \$—; etc., \$—; total, \$—-.

CONDITION OF THE PARISH.

Value of Church property: Church lot, \$—; Church, \$—; Chapel, \$—; Rec-
 tory, \$—; total, \$—-.

Parish debt: Funded, \$—; floating, \$—; total, \$—.

Salary pledged to Rector, \$—; arrears of salary unpaid, \$—.

Parish library, — volumes; Sunday School library, — volumes.

REMARKS.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance
 of the Christian religion, and wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts

and lives of ourselves, our families, and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of the parish of — Church, (name of the city or town), county of —, State of Kansas; and by so doing, do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese of Kansas.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the annual meeting of the parish (*or, in case the parish has not elected delegates*, at a meeting of the Vestry) of — Church, in —, held on the — day of —, A. B., who is a baptized person, and a member of the parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at —, on the — day of — in the year of our Lord, 18—.

(Signed)

Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of — — —.

Or,

Witness

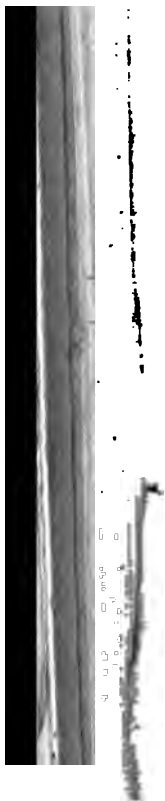
Or,

Minister of — — Church.

Dioecese of Kansas.

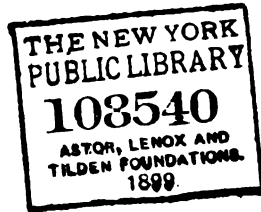
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE
DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D. LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese, resident at Topeka.

The Rev. T. W. Barry, Rector of Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.

The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Lawrence.

The Rev. John Bennett, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.

The Rev. John W. Birchmore, Abilene.

The Rev. Addis E. Bishop, Orworth, Lincoln County.

The Rev. Wm. T. Bowen, Rector of St. George's Church, Victoria.

The Rev. Thos. Burrows, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, and of the Church of the Messiah, Council Grove.

The Rev. Alfred Brown, Chaplain and Bursar of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, and Missionary at Monmouth.

The Rev. Chas. H. Canfield, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville, and the Church of the Epiphany, Independence. P. O., Independence.

The Rev. J. Thompson Carpenter, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Burlington.

The Rev. Jos. S. Colton, Missionary in Northern Tier. P. O., Hiawatha.

The Rev. Geo. P. Comings, Rector of St. John's Church, Girard.

The Rev. Richard Ellerby, Rector of Grace Church, Topeka.

The Rev. Isaac M. Frey, Missionary at Winfield.

The Rev. Benj. Hartley, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.

The Rev. Wm. H. Hiccox, Rector of St. John's Church, Wakefield.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Missionary on the L. L. & G. R. R. P. O., Williamsburg.

The Rev. William Horsfall, Missionary in Cherokee County. P. O., Baxter Springs.

The Rev. Reese P. Kendall, Missionary near Beloit. P. O., Beloit.

The Rev. J. H. Lee, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash, Lexington, Mo.

The Rev. Jas. Newman, Missionary at Hutchinson, Sterling, Kingman, &c. P. O. Hutchinson.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne, Rector of Trinity Church, Atchison.
The Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Post Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Riley.
The Rev. Henry Safford, Topeka.
The Rev. R. C. Talbott, Rector of St. John's Memorial Church,
Parsons, and of St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.
The Rev. George Turner, Missionary in Brown County.
The Rev. John Woart, Post Chaplain U. S. A., Fort Leavenworth.

For list of
PARISHES, MISSIONS, AND CONGREGATIONS,
See TABLE OF STATISTICS,
Appendix C.

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION AND DIOCESE.

BISHOP—RT. REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, D.D., LL.D., Topeka.

Secretary—THE REV. ALFRED BROWN, Topeka.

Assistant Secretary—THE REV. THOMAS BURROWS, Emporia.

Treasurer—MR. J. W. FARNSWORTH, Topeka.

Registrar—MR. T. C. VAIL, Topeka.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Fort Riley; Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Lawrence; Rev. Thomas Burrows, Emporia; Rev. F. O. Osborne, Atchison; and Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, Lawrence; S. W. Stone, Topeka; J. J. Buck, Emporia, and Ambrose Todd, Manhattan.

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Messrs. J. H. Lee, T. W. Barry, L. L. Holden, John Bennett, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, F. E. Stimpson, J. W. Farnsworth, and T. C. Vail.

VISITORS AND EXAMINERS OF THE COLLEGE OF THE SISTERS OF BETHANY.

The Rev. J. H. Lee and Mrs. Lee; Rev. T. W. Barry and Mrs. Barry; Rev. Thomas Burrows and Mrs. Burrows; Rev. Chaplain Woart and Mrs. Woart.

VISITORS AND EXAMINERS OF THE KANSAS THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

The Rev. Drs. Reynolds and Beatty, the Rev. Messrs. Comings and Carpenter, and Mr. Fred. E. Stimpson.

TRUSTEE (NOMINATED) OF GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, N. Y.

The Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D.

TRUSTEES OF THE COLLEGE, ETC., OF BETHANY.

Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., president *ex-officio*, Topeka; F. W. Giles, secretary, Topeka; Rev. C. Reynolds, D. D., Fort Riley; Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Lawrence; J. W. Farnsworth, Topeka; S. S. Prouty, Topeka.

TRUSTEES OF THE KANSAS THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL.D., president *ex-officio*, Topeka; Rev. L. L. Holden, of Kansas; and Rev. Heman Dyer, D. D., of New York; and Messrs. George Geiger, Jas. C. Horton, Alfred G. Otis and Ambrose Todd, of Kansas; and James F. Sheafe, of New York.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

GRACE CATHEDRAL,
TOPEKA, KANSAS, June 30, 1880. }

This being the time and place for holding the Twenty-first Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas, the Bishop and a number of the clergy and lay delegates of the parishes assembled in Grace Cathedral at 9 o'clock A. M. for the celebration of Divine Worship.

Morning Prayer was said through the Lessons by the Rev. J. H. Lee; the Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., said the Prayers to the Litany; and the Rev. L. L. Holden said the Litany.

At 10 o'clock the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. John Woart, read the Ante-Communion Service.

The Bishop then read his Triennial Charge, having as its subject "The Lord's Supper."

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted by the Rev. W. H. Hickcox and the Rev. T. B. Dooley.

The religious exercises having been concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The list of clergy canonically resident in the Diocese was presented by the Bishop.

The certificates of lay delegates were laid on the Secretary's table and referred to the following committee: Rev. L. L. Holden, and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and J. H. Young.

The Convention then took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 30, 1880—3 P. M.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Qualifications reported as follows:

That they have carefully examined the clerical list presented by the Bishop, and find that the following persons reported by him are canonically entitled to a vote in this Convention, in accordance with Section 2, Article III., of the Constitution of this Diocese:

CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D. D., LL.D.

The Rev. T. W. Barry.

The Rev. A. Beatty, D. D.

The Rev. John Bennett.

The Rev. Alfred Brown.

The Rev. Thomas Burrows.

The Rev. Charles H. Canfield.

The Rev. J. Thompson Carpenter.

The Rev. Joseph S. Colton.

The Rev. George P. Comings.

The Rev. Louis DeLew, D. D., LL.D.

The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley.

The Rev. Isaac M. Frey.

The Rev. Benjamin Hartley.

The Rev. William H. Hickcox.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden.

The Rev. Wm. Horsfall.

The Rev. Reese P. Kendall.

The Rev. James H. Lee.

The Rev. James Newman.

The Rev. Frank O. Osborne.

The Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D.

The Rev. R. C. Talbott.

The Rev. George Turner.

The Rev. John Wourt.

ENTITLED TO A SEAT BUT NOT TO A VOTE.

The Rev. John W. Birchmore.

The Rev. Addis E. Bishop.

The Rev. Henry Safford.

The Rev. Rodney S. Nash.

NOT ENTITLED TO A SEAT OR VOTE

[because not yet canonically resident in the Diocese]

The Rev. Richard S. Adams.

The Rev. Wm. T. Bowen.

They have also examined the certificates of lay delegates, and find the following persons duly elected:

Atchison, Trinity Church—D. P. Blish, W. S. Greenlee, Wm. B. Collett.

Coffeyville, St. Paul's Church—J. M. Heddens, W. A. Peffer.

Emporia, St. Andrew's Church—J. J. Buck, J. D. Gunn, J. A. Young.

Fort Scott, St. Andrew's Church—F. Herbert, C. H. Haines.

Girard, St. John's Church—James Richmond, C. D. Sayres.

Independence, Epiphany Church—George W. Burchard, Coddington Billings.

Junction City, Church of the Ascension—Jas. R. McClure, Chas. E. Alioth.

Lawrence, Trinity Church—F. E. Stimpson, S. Reynolds, J. E. Nicholas.

Leavenworth, Church of St. Paul—George VanDerworker.

Manhattan, St. Paul's Church—Ambrose Todd, G. F. Brown, John Wm. Yarroll.

Parsons, St. John's Memorial Church—S. W. Kniffen, Angell Matthewson.

Salina, Christ Church—R. T. Watson, S. M. Palmer, F. Goodnow.

Topeka, Grace Cathedral—F. W. Giles, J. W. Farnsworth.

Wakefield, St. John's Church—James H. Young, F. Lewin, I. W. Thomas.

Winfield, Grace Church—Robert E. Wallis.

Wyandotte, St. Paul's Church—F. Speck, J. B. Scroggs, J. K. Proudfit.

Williamsburg, St. Barnabas Mission—E. M. Bartholow.

The report having been approved by the Convention, the Secretary called the roll.

The election of Secretary being next in order, the Rev. Alfred Brown was re-elected, and the Rev. Thomas Burrows was reappointed Assistant Secretary.

The Chair then appointed the following standing committees:

On Admission of New Parishes—Rev. W. H. Hickcox, Rev. J. T. Carpenter, Rev. Jos. S. Colton, Messrs. Ambrose Todd, Chas. E. Alioth.

On Constitution and Canons—Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rev. Thomas Burrows, Messrs. J. R. McClure, F. W. Giles.

On the State of the Church—Rev. G. P. Comings, Rev. T. Burrows, Rev. R. C. Talbott, Mr. D. P. Blish.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. T. W. Barry, Messrs. G. Vanderworker, I. W. Thomas.

On Finance—Rev. F. O. Osborne, Messrs. F. E. Stimpson, J. Jay Buck.

The Rev. F. O. Osborne offered the following:

Resolved, That the clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church from other Dioceses, and candidates for Holy orders, be invited to seats in this Convention.

The resolution was adopted, and Mr. C. C. Hahn and Mr. L. P. Holmes, candidates, took seats in the Convention.

The Rev. Thomas Burrows offered the following:

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Bishop's charge be printed, separate from the Journal, for distribution.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

The Rev. C. H. Canfield moved that so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the Provincial system be referred to a committee of three to report to this Convention. The motion was adopted, and the chair appointed the Rev. J. H. Lee, the Rev. John Woart and the Hon. J. R. McClure.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare a minute on the death of Bishops Whittingham and Odenheimer, and also on the death of Rev. H. S. Attwater of this Diocese, and of the Rev. Jason F. Walker, late dean of Grace Cathedral.

The resolution was adopted, and the chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Beatty, the Rev. Benj. Hartley and the Hon. W. A. Peffer.

The Rev. L. L. Holden offered the following:

Resolved, That the Convention approves the suggestion of the Bishop in regard to a better provision for the protection of church property.

The resolution was adopted, and a Canon which the Bishop had prepared was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, who were instructed to report to this Convention a Canon for the securing of said protection.

The Rev. Dr. Beatty then proposed that the portion of the Bishop's address referring to the increased appropriations of the Domestic Missionary Board to this Diocese during the present year, and also those of the Church Missionary Society, be referred to a committee of three to prepare and report a

suitable expression of our thanks. The resolution was adopted, and the Revs. Dr. Beatty, Benj. Hartley and Mr. Ambrose Todd were appointed the committee.

On motion, the order of proceedings was suspended, and the Rev. Thos. Burrows offered the following:

Resolved, That there be appointed a committee of two clergymen and one layman, who, together with the Treasurer of the Diocese, shall be a Standing Committee on Finance, whose duty it shall be to assess the parishes for the salary of the Bishop. Said Committee shall meet within one month from the adjournment of the Convention, and shall base its assessments upon the latest Parochial Reports, and the assessments agreed upon by said Committee, shall be obligatory on the parishes, and shall be published in the Journal.

The resolution was discussed for about an hour, and then Hon. J. R. McClure offered the following as a substitute for the above:

Resolved, That the assessments for the Bishop's salary be hereafter made from the number of communicants in each parish at the time such assessments are made.

This substitute was adopted.

The Treasurer's Report being called for, at his request the Convention accorded additional time in which to make his report.

The Registrar presented the following report:

I have no report of much interest to make. The labors of my office have not been very arduous. I have received from Canon Barry, and, after three applications, from the Rev. Mr. Cox, of Fremont, Ohio, former Registrar of this Diocese, the papers and books in their hands, and have only three additions to report, viz.: the Journals of Louisiana, Arkansas and New Mexico.

T. C. VAIL, *Registrar*.

Further time was accorded for reports of the Standing Committee and of the Executive Missionary Committee.

The Bishop as President of Diocesan Institutions, reported that the College of the Sisters of Bethany had enjoyed the most prosperous year in its history; and that the Theological School had been very successful, he having ordained three Deacons. The School, he thought, was a real power in the Diocese.

The Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany presented their report, as follows:

The committee would respectfully report that having been present at some of the examinations and at the commencement exercises, they would simply reaffirm the statements which they made three years ago. That they are most favorably impressed with the indications of progress in its various departments, with the general excellence of its instruction, and with the discipline which is gently but firmly administered. Its literary standing is such as to command the respect of all who are friendly to the higher education of women, and its exhibition exercises give evidence of careful preparation and elegant scholarship. The musical department is conducted with superior ability, the exercises of the students at the Commencement giving evidence of marked improvement and thorough instruction. While the College thus affords intellectual and æsthetic culture of a high character, the moral and spiritual training it gives is not defective. It not only disciplines the mind but forms the character. The unity and indivisibility of the moral and mental faculties is constantly recognized. It is in the truest sense a Christian College, its very atmosphere being that of a loving Christian family and home. The students are taught the pure, bright, joyous spirit of our holy faith not only by precept but by example. Belonging, as they do, to various religious bodies, their views and opinions are scrupulously respected, notwithstanding the institution is churchly in its tone and spirit. We can not speak too highly of its elevating and refining influence. Nowhere in this portion of the West is there a school for young ladies which can be compared with it as regards its advantages for developing the truest delicacy and tenderness of feeling; or, in other words, a womanhood that is really womanly. Excluded, as they are, from the frivolities which occupy so much of the time and attention of young persons at the present day, the students of Bethany become inspired with the highest aims and noblest purposes. We can, therefore, with perfect confidence recommend this institution to the patronage of parents who have daughters to be taught, and to the fostering care of the Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee.
A. BEATTY, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows:

We have examined the Journal of the last Convention, and find no unfinished business. We would, however, call your attention to Canon 10, which provides some work for the present Convention to be done.

Respectfully

submitted,

T. W. BARRY,

GEO. VANDERWORKER,

I. W. THOMAS.

the state

of the Church, at the suggestion of the Church, discontinued.

Parochial reports were then handed to the Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Beatty offered the following:

WHEREAS, There is to be submitted to the citizens of this Commonwealth, at the next election, an Amendment to the Constitution thereof, providing that "the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors shall be forever prohibited in this State, except for medical, scientific and mechanical purposes," and,

WHEREAS, There is good reason to believe that the passage of this Amendment and such legislative action as may be deemed necessary to carry its provisions into effect, will greatly restrict the sale and lessen the use of intoxicating liquors, thereby preventing much misery and crime, therefore,

Be it Resolved, That this Convention does hereby recommend this important matter to the earnest consideration of the members of the Church throughout the Diocese, and urges them to exert their influence in favor of the Amendment, and to use all proper efforts to secure its adoption.

On the motion of Hon. J. R. McClure, the Convention adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning; the Chair giving notice that the above resolution and preamble would then come up for the consideration of the Convention.

WEDNESDAY, June 30—8 P. M.

At this hour a short service of prayer and praise was conducted by the Bishop, and the Convention then sat as the Board of Missions for this Diocese.

The Bishop addressed the Board, calling attention to the Canon by which the Convention, on the first evening of its session, sits as the Diocesan Mission Board.

The Bishop then read the Financial Report of the Executive Missionary Committee. (See Appendix E.)

The most successful modes of rousing and sustaining zeal in the cause of Missions, and also of raising funds for the prosecution of the work, were considered at great length by the board. As a practical result of the views expressed, nearly every parish represented at the meeting pledged itself to a specified sum as its minimum contribution to the Diocesan Mission Fund. The realization of these pledges will very materially help forward Church work in the Diocese.

After the singing of a hymn, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction, and the meeting adjourned.

THURSDAY, July 1—9 A. M.

At Morning Prayer the Bishop was assisted by the Rev. R. C. Talbott, the Rev. Benj. Hartley, and the Rev. Dr. DeLew. The chair then called the Convention to order.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

After the Secretary had called the roll, the Bishop announced that the business, pending which the Convention adjourned yesterday, is now resumed.

Hon. J. R. McClure, having conferred with the Rev. Dr. Beatty, had drawn up the following Substitute for the Rev. Doctor's Resolution, and now presented it:

WHEREAS, This Convention has assembled for the purpose of transacting such business as legitimately and especially pertains to it as a religious organization; and,

WHEREAS, The action of the Convention upon questions of a political or secular character would be an innovation upon its established precedents and the usages of our Church; and,

WHEREAS, The proposition to amend the Constitution of Kansas, submitted to the voters of the State for adoption or rejection, is one of a political character; and,

WHEREAS, There is a wide difference of opinion among our own members, temperance men and lawyers, as to the policy of adopting said Amendment as a temperance measure,

Be it, therefore, resolved, That we deem it unwise, and against the precedents of the Church, for this Convention to take any official action on the subject; but do advise and urge upon each member of the Church to use his influence to restrain, so far as practicable, the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors, and to so vote upon the proposed Amendment, as will, in his judgment, and according to his conscience, best promote the cause of temperance.

After a lively discussion the Substitute was adopted by 22 to 10.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of committees and officers for the ensuing year.

On the proposal of Rev. F. O. Osborne, the Convention instructed the Secretary to cast the vote of the Convention for the re-election of Mr. J. W. Farnsworth, as Treasurer of the Diocese.

Mr. T. C. Vail was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

The Convention proceeded to ballot in separate houses for Deputies to the General Convention, the two orders having separated for that purpose. The clergy in their house chose and the laity in their house approved the following clerical deputies: Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rev. W. H. Hickcox; and also the following supplementary clerical deputies: Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. John Woart, Rev. Thos. B. Dooley, Rev. Benj. Hartley.

The laity in their house chose and the clergy in their house approved the following lay deputies: Messrs. J. Jay Buck, C. E. Alioth, F. W. Giles, Ambrose Todd; and also the following supplementary lay deputies: Messrs. D. P. Blish, S. S. Prouty, Geo. S. Brown, E. M. Bartholow.

The Convention having reassembled came to order and unanimously, as the Convention, ratified the above elections,

Again in separate houses the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee.

The clergy elected and the laity approved the following clerical members: Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., Rev. F. O. Osborne, Rev. Thos. Burrows.

The laity elected and the clergy approved the following lay members: Messrs. J. Jay Buck, S. W. Stone, F. E. Stimpson, and Ambrose Todd.

The Convention having reassembled and come to order, ratified the above elections.

The regular order of business being temporarily suspended, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the following was referred to the Committee on Constitutions and Canons, in order that if in their judgment it be expedient it should be adopted as a Canon—to wit, the Standing Resolution on page 20 of the Journal of 1879.

The Committee on the Bishop's Salary reported as follows:

The Committee last year appointed to aid in the collection of Assessments for the Bishop's salary, present herewith a copy of the circular issued by them, with a request that it be spread upon the Journal as a part of their report; and they suggest, also, that the Standing Resolution on the subject, be printed in the Journal of this Convention.

THOMAS BURROWS,
BENJ. HARTLEY,
FRED. E. STIMPSON.

LENTON APPEAL FOR THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

TO THE COMMUNICANTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN
THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

Dear Friends and Brethren:

At the meeting of the last Diocesan Convention, and in accordance with a standing resolution of the same, the undersigned were appointed the Committee for this year, to prepare and issue a Lenton Circular exhibiting the condition of the Fund for the support of the Bishop.

The Bishop's salary comes from four sources:

1. From the income of the Permanent Episcopal Fund, collected by the Bishop and presented to the Diocese, now in the hands of Trustees, amounting to \$18,000.

2. From the interest on the amount still due from the sale of the late Episcopal residence in Lawrence, the notes amounting to \$3,500.

3. From the rent of a house in Lawrence, acquired through the sale of the same residence.

4. From the annual assessments upon the parishes of fifty cents on each Communicant of the Diocese.

During the year 1879, the income from the *first source* was largely reduced, because of the unfortunate investment of a portion of this Fund, occasioning an entire loss of income on this portion \$8,000, and the necessity of a foreclosure on the security, and also because of a reduction of the rate of interest on the remaining portion of the Fund, \$10,000. The amount actually received by the Bishop from this Fund, after deducting the cost of the legal proceedings, was exactly \$518.

The *second source* yielded \$280.

The *third source*, after deducting repairs and taxes, yielded \$49.66.

The *fourth source* yielded \$427.85.

Total from all sources, \$1,275.51.

The basis of assessments on Communicants is the number reported to the preceding Convention. The amount is announced by a committee before the latest returns are tabulated, and hence always falls short, by a year's growth, of what should be the actual figures for the fiscal year.

The Journal of 1879 reports 1,949 Communicants; but this embraces 300 as *estimated*, who are scarcely available as paying constituents, owing to the temporary cessation of services in their vicinity, or to their isolation at points rarely, if ever, visited by our clergy.

The amount actually assessed for 1880 is only \$565. Many Parishes in the past have neglected the prompt discharge of this bounden duty. During the four years preceding 1876, an average of only \$209.22 per annum had been received by the Bishop—far below the amount pledged. The Diocese at that time accepted a quit claim from the Bishop for all past deficiencies: yet each year since shows a falling back in this matter.

The last year, 1879, has a balance of \$139.90 still due on the Bishop's salary.

All these facts unite in emphasizing the need of paying promptly the small amount laid upon our people.

We hope there is no necessity for a very urgent appeal, and trust that the mere recital of these statistics will be sufficient to secure speedy payment of all past and present indebtedness.

Faithfully yours,

THOMAS BURROWS,

Rector St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.

BENJ. HARTLEY,

Rector St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.

FRED. E. STIMPSON,

Lay Delegate, Trinity Church, Lawrence.

Lent, 1880.

The Standing Resolution referred to above, is on page 10 of the Journal of 1879, and is as follows:

That a committee of three be appointed by the chair, with power to sit during the recess of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to prepare, during or before the season of Lent in each year, a printed circular, addressed to the communicants of the Church in this Diocese, to be sent by the rector or minister in charge, or by the lay-reader, or by the wardens if no rector, of each parish or station, to every communicant or family of communicants, which can thus be reached in the Diocese. Also, the committee is to send to every rector, minister, lay-reader or warden, competent to oversee the matter, a sufficient number of the above-mentioned circulars, with any written instructions as to the use of them which the committee may deem necessary; also, to take any other steps looking to the full collection of the annual assessments upon the communicants of any parish or station. The circular above mentioned to contain full information as to the condition of the endowment fund, the withdrawal of missionary aid, the necessity of providing a larger support for our Diocesan, and the importance of action by the Diocese through its individual communicants.

The Convention nominated as Trustee of the General Theological Seminary the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D.

It was resolved that a committee be appointed to nominate for Executive Missionary Committee and for Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.

The President appointed as the Committee on Nominations Rev. Dr. Reynolds, Rev. F. O. Osborne, Mr. A. Todd.

The Standing Committee being now ready to report, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, as president, reported as follows:

The Standing Committee has held four meetings during the conventional year.

1. At the first meeting the committee organized by electing the Rev. Charles Reynolds, D. D., president, and Mr. S. W. Stone, secretary. It also resolved, for the convenience of its members, and for the purpose of securing quorums, to hold regular quarterly meetings in August, November, February and May. They also elected from the committee, the Rev. Dr. Reynolds and the Rev. F. O. Osborne, clerical, and Messrs. Ambrose Todd and F. E. Stimpson, lay members of the Cathedral Chapter, in compliance with the Canon establishing said Chapter.

2. The second meeting was called as a Counsel of Advice to the Bishop. It also signed the testimonials of the Bishop-elect of Michigan. It also gave its consent to the ordination to the Diaconate of

Messrs. James Newman and William Horsfall. It also passed several bills for printing and postage.

3. At the third meeting consent was given to the consecration of the Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Louisiana; and the Rev. Isaac M. Frey was recommended to the Bishop for Deacon's Orders, so soon as the six months from the date of his candidateship expire. The committee also consented to the consecration of the Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New Jersey.

4. The fourth meeting was called, by the Bishop, to decide as to the time when the six months of candidateship of the Rev. Isaac M. Frye should expire. They also recommended Mr. Chas. C. Hahn to the Bishop as a candidate for Deacon's Orders, candidateship to date from January 1, 1880.

CHARLES REYNOLDS, *President*.

S. W. STONE, *Secretary*.

The Committee on Thanks to the Domestic Committee, etc., reported as follows:

The Committee appointed to present a suitable expression of the thanks of this Diocese to certain specified benefactors report,

That the sincere thanks of the Diocese of Kansas, be hereby returned to the Domestic Committee, and through that Committee to the Board of Managers, for the kind aid during these several years extended to this Diocese, in the prosecution of missions, and especially for the action of said Board at its last annual meeting, in doubling the amount heretofore appropriated to Missionary work in this Diocese.

That the sincere thanks of the Diocese be also given to the American Church Missionary Society, for its liberal appropriations to our missionary work in previous years, and especially for having added one more missionary to its list during the past year.

The Committee, although not specially ordered to do so, yet feel that they but anticipate the wish of this Convention, in recommending the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Diocese be hereby tendered to the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, and to the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, for their generous gifts of Prayer Books and Hymnals at different times to clergymen and families applying for such aid, and especially to the Bishop, on his application, for distribution in the Diocese.

J. H. LEE,

For the Committee.

The report was cordially accepted, and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Rev. T. W. Barry, as Secretary *pro tempore* of the Cathedral Chapter, then reported, for the consideration of the Convention, the statutes adopted by said chapter, as follows:

**STATUTES OF THE CHAPTER.
THE BISHOP.**

Recognizing the Episcopate as the primary authority in the Church, we hereby declare that the Bishop of the Diocese is the head of the Cathedral and of this Chapter. As such he shall have his chair within the rails of the chancel on the right of the Holy Table, and when present shall have charge of and direct all the Services of Divine Worship, and name the clergy by whom respectively the several parts thereof shall be performed; and he may, by general directions, order the ritual of the Cathedral. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Chapter, and his assent shall be necessary to the final validity of all its acts.

If present at the passage of an act, he shall at the time express his assent or dissent, or a desire for time to consider the same, and such his declaration shall be immediately entered on the journal. Should he not, at the meeting at which an act is passed, express his assent or dissent, or desire for time to consider, a minute of the fact shall be entered on the journal and his assent shall be presumed. If he desire time to consider, he shall within thirty days thereafter communicate in writing his assent or dissent to the Dean and Clerk, and the same shall be entered at length on the journal. If he do not so communicate with said officers, a minute of the fact shall be entered in the journal, and his assent shall be presumed. Until his assent be given as aforesaid, or until the expiration of said thirty days, the act shall be suspended.

When the Bishop is not present at the passage of an act, if it in no wise affect the Episcopal prerogative, and if in the opinion of the Chapter it be matter of urgency to be declared on the journal, the same may go into effect until the action of the Bishop can be had. It shall be immediately communicated to him, and within thirty days from receiving a certified copy of the record of the proceeding in that behalf of the Chapter, he shall notify the Dean and Clerk in writing that he assents or dissents from or suspends the operation of the act, and such his notice shall, immediately on its receipt, be entered on the journal. If he do not so communicate his will in respect of the act within said time, the fact shall be noted on the journal and his assent shall be presumed. If he suspend the operation of the act, he shall state in the notice thereof the period of such suspension, and before the expiration thereof shall assent or dissent therefrom as in other cases, or his assent shall be presumed, due entry of the facts being made on the journal.

THE DEAN.

In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate or permanent disability of the Bishop, the Dean shall be the head of the Chapter, and in either of the cases above mentioned, or of absence of the Bishop, the Dean, if present, shall preside at all meetings. His stall shall be within the rails of the chancel, on the left of the Holy Table; he shall take rank

next after the Bishop, and bear the title of the Very Reverend, the Dean of Grace Cathedral Church. When acting as the head or presiding officer of the Chapter, he shall, subject to the general directions of the Bishop in that behalf, have charge of all the services of the Cathedral, and name the clergy by whom, respectively, the several parts thereof shall be performed.

THE CANONS.

The duties of the Canons, so far as the same are not directly connected with the parish of the Cathedral and of the Honorary Canons, shall be prescribed from time to time by the Chapter. The duties of the Canons, serving the parish as such, are left to the Bishop, Dean, and Vestry. In case of the vacancies of both the Episcopate and Dean-ship, or the permanent disability of the Bishop and Dean, the senior Canon shall serve as acting Dean, and shall preside at all meetings when neither the Dean nor the Bishop is present. The Canons shall have their stalls in the chancel, and take rank after the Dean according to seniority of service in the Cathedral. Each Honorary Canon shall have his stall in the chancel of the Cathedral, and they shall take rank according to seniority of appointment.

THE TREASURER.

Payments from the treasury shall be made only upon general or special appropriations, for the object to which they shall be applied. They shall be made upon the written order of the Lay-Chancellor upon the Treasurer; and such order, countersigned by the Chapter Clerk, shall be the Treasurer's voucher therefor.

The Treasurer shall give bonds faithfully to account for all moneys coming to his hands, with sureties, and in such penal sum as the Chapter may from time to time require. He shall, at the meeting next before the Annual Convention, present a full report of all transactions of the treasury.

CLERICAL CHANCELLOR.

The Clerical Chancellor shall be, next to the Bishop, at the head of the Theological School of the Diocese.

LAY-CHANCELLOR.

The Lay-Chancellor, as the general adviser of the Chapter, shall, whenever requested as hereinafter provided, give to the Chapter his opinion upon all such questions of canon and civil law as shall be submitted to him. Such request shall be communicated to him in writing, over the hand of the head of the Chapter at the time, or of its presiding officer, setting forth the circumstances of the matter in respect of which the opinion is desired, and the precise question to be answered; and the opinion shall be given in writing, and on its receipt be read at length to the Chapter at its first meeting after its receipt. The Lay-Chancellor shall provide a book to be called "The Lay-Chancellor's Opinions," in which he shall record at length all requests for his opinions and his answers thereto.

The Lay-Chancellor shall audit all bills and draw his order, which shall be countersigned by the Chapter Clerk, upon the Treasurer for the amount, specifying therein the object for which the same is drawn and referring to the appropriation therefor. He shall retain the bill for which he draws his order until the settlement of the Treasurer's accounts.

CHAPTER CLERK.

The office of the Chapter Clerk is hereby established. He shall be elected by the Chapter annually at the first regular meeting after the Diocesan Convention, and shall be a member of the Chapter, and shall discharge such duties as, by the statutes or by the Chapter, may be from time to time imposed upon him. He shall, under the direction of the head or presiding officer of the Chapter, make the drafts of all requests for the Lay-Chancellor's opinions.

MEETINGS.

The Chapter shall hold four regular meetings annually (as near as may be convenient to the festivals of St. James, St. Luke, St. Paul and St. Mark), when summoned, as hereinafter provided, by the proper authority.

Special meetings may be summoned by the Bishop, or in case of his disability to act or absence from the Diocese, by the Dean or acting Dean, upon the written request of three other members.

Each member shall be summoned to each meeting, as well regular as special, by a written or printed notice, addressed to him by the Dean or acting Dean, stating distinctly the time and place of the meeting, and in case of special meeting, the business to be done thereat. Such notice shall be served upon each member personally, or mailed to him, with postage prepaid, at least five days before the meeting.

The Honorary Canons shall preach at the regular meetings, in the order of their seniority, as fixed by the Convention.

REPORTS.

The head of the Chapter shall prepare a full report of the acts and proceedings of the Chapter, to be presented to a regular or special meeting, to be held shortly before the meeting of the Annual Convention; which, after being adopted by the Chapter, shall be laid before the Convention.

On motion, these statutes were approved.

The Rev. T. W. Barry, retiring Canon, was renominated by the Bishop, and re-elected by the Convention as one of the four Honorary Canons of the Cathedral.

The following gentlemen having been nominated by the Committee on Nominations, were elected as members of the Executive Missionary Committee: Rev. J. H. Lee, Rev. T. W. Barry, Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. John Bennett, and Messrs. F. W. Giles, F. E. Stimpson, J. W. Farnsworth and T. C. Vail.

The Committee appointed as Visitors and Examiners of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, is as follows: Rev. J. H. Lee and Mrs. Lee, Rev. Canon Barry and Mrs. Barry, Rev. Thos. Burrows and Mrs. Burrows, Rev. John Woart and Mrs. Woart.

The Treasurer's report was then read and referred to the Finance Committee. (See appendix D.)

The Finance Committee made their report.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Burrows, the balance \$38, unpaid, of Episcopal Assessments on St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, was reduced to \$15.

The report, as amended, was adopted. (See appendix F.)

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then made its report, which contained the following suggestions:

1. The changing of the last clause in Canon V, on page 80, of the Journal of 1879, in reference to the appointment of Missionaries, so as to read thus: "The Missionary shall be appointed by the Bishop, and, when receiving aid from the Missionary Funds of the Diocese, shall be confirmed by the Executive Missionary Committee.

2. Also, in the same Canon, and on the same page of the Journal of 1879, under "Duties of Wardens, etc.," to change the word "pledge" to "raise."

3. Also, that the Standing Resolution, on page 20, of the Journal of 1879, be adopted as a Canon of the Church in this Diocese.

4. Also, that the following be adopted as a Canon of the Church in this Diocese: At every Annual Convention next following the regular Triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Board of Trustees of Church Property to consist of two Presbyters and four Laymen, who shall be communicants, shall be chosen, whose duty it shall be, when incorporated, to receive and hold in trust, the title of any Church Buildings, or other Church Property, which may be placed in its hands. Said Board shall be entitled the "Trustees of Church Property of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas," and shall be legally incorporated under the General Statutes of the State of Kansas. It shall make an Annual Report to the Convention, with an itemized statement of the property held by it. In the interim between the Annual Conventions, it may fill any vacancies that may occur in its membership, and any person so elected to fill a vacancy shall continue in office until the next following Annual Convention. If the next following Annual Convention shall neglect to fill the vacancy, the person so elected by the Board, shall remain in office until the next regular Triennial election.

On motion, these suggestions were adopted *seriatim* by the Convention, and on motion, also, the numbering of the two new Canons was left to the President and Secretary.

The Committee on deceased Bishops and Clergy, reported as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's address which relates to the decease of Bishop Whittingham, of Bishop Odenheimer, of the Rev. H. S. Attwater, and of the Rev. J. F. Walker, respectfully present the following minutes, and ask that they be placed on the records of this Convention :

1. We do hereby express our deep sense of the great loss which the Church has sustained, in the death of the Rt. Rev. William Rolinson Whittingham, late Bishop of Maryland ; and desire to put on record the expression of our profound respect for his memory,—his noble, christian character ; his surpassing scholarship ; his rare intellectual gifts ; his wise counsels ; his generous, catholic spirit, and pray that this branch of the Church of Christ, may ever be blessed with Bishops so learned and so pure.

2. The death of the Rt. Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, late Bishop of Northern New Jersey, removed from our Church on earth, one of the most learned and most eminent of her Bishops ; one who was faithful to his trust ; kind and fatherly to his clergy ; amiable and upright in his life ; who endured his sufferings with patience and resignation to the will of God ; and we, therefore, put on record our high appreciation of his character and work.

3. The Rev. H. S. Attwater, resided for several years near Cedar Vale, in the southern part of this Diocese, and as far as his failing health permitted, held mission services in his neighborhood. He was a churchman of the old school, of the generation rapidly passing away. He was of a pure and saintly character, a man whose "life was hid with Christ in God," and his memory will be held in reverence by all whose privilege it was to know him.

4. The Rev. J. F. Walker, late Dean of the Cathedral, at Topeka, had only been connected with the Diocese a few months, when death called him from the scene of his earthly labors. But during that short period he gave evidence of the possession of great intellectual power, of marked ability in the pulpit, and of a quiet, humble spirit, such as is invariably connected with the rare gifts with which he was endowed. We mourn his death—not only as it affects the parish with which he was connected, but in the loss which the Diocese sustains, in the departure of one so eminently fitted to advise in its counsels ; and, while blessing God for the good examples of these his servants, we pray, that with them, we may be partakers of the heavenly kingdom.

The Bishop appointed as a Committee to assist in the collection of the assessments for the Bishop's salary, the Rev. Canon Lee and Messrs. F. W. Giles and F. E. Stimpson.

The Committee on the Provincial System reported as follows:

Your Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address, relating to the Provincial System in the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States, beg leave to report that, after giving the subject such consideration as the time and data afforded us, we have decided to express our concurrence in the suggestions of the Bishop in his Address, and thus far recommend that it would be premature and inexpedient at this time to adopt such a system.

JAS. H. LEE,
JOHN WOART,
J. R. McCLURE.

The Rev. Mr. Burrows offered the following which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Convention be returned to the Bishop and the members of the parish of Grace Cathedral, Topeka, and to other friends, for their kind and generous hospitality during this session, and to the K. P., and A. T. & S. F., and M. K. & T., and L. L. & G. railroads, for giving reduced fares to the members of this Convention.

At the cordial invitation of the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, D. D., it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the next Convention be held at the Church of the Covenant, Junction City, on the last Wednesday of June, 1881.

On the motion of Mr. A. Todd, it was

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be requested to present at our next Convention, some plan or way for raising funds to pay the necessary expenses of the members of the Standing Committee, and of the Executive Missionary Committee, in their attendance upon their meetings; and, also, for raising means in the year previous to the meeting of the General Convention, to defray expenses of the deputies to the same.

On motion, the Bishop and Secretary were authorized to revise the form of Parochial Report.

The Minutes were read, corrected, and approved.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Our last annual Convention closed at ten o'clock on the night of Thursday, June 10, 1879. Year after year we have assembled in health; and no deaths, with the exception of that of the dear and lamented Preston, in 1868, have been reported. But this year our record must open with the statement of death. Two of our clergy have been called away from us. The first of these, the Rev. Henry S. Attwater, long known as the oldest clergyman in the Diocese, was born at Blandford, Mass., on September 21, 1798. He was a graduate of Geneva College, New York, and afterwards of the General Theological Seminary, New York City. At the age of 81 years he was gathered as a shock of corn in his season. He died at the house of his son, at Cedar Vale, in Chautauqua county, of this State, on the 30th of December last. He was buried there two days afterwards. During the last few years, the infirmities of age prevented him from much of active work, although to the very last he ministered from time to time, and in his own home, as his failing strength enabled him. But he was eminently devout, and the Church will miss his prayers; for it is true of him now as in the olden time it was said of the sweet singer of Israel, "The prayers of David, the son of Jesse, are ended." His prayers have had their influence, and are now changed to praises in the city of our God.

The Rev. Jonas F. Walker, who, on the 1st day of October, 1879, accepted the rectorship in Grace Cathedral, Topeka,

and was thereupon appointed Dean by the Bishop, died on the 20th day of February, after a brief but very painful illness. He was a man of extraordinary intellectual ability, and his sermons were eminently attractive to thinking people. To his congregation, as to myself, his untimely death, in the midst of increasing usefulness, has been a great grief. Mr. W. was born at Smithfield, Rhode Island, on the 3d day of June, 1819, and graduated at the University of Vermont. The funeral services were at Grace Cathedral on Saturday, February 21st, and his remains were conveyed to his family burial place near Rochester, Minn., where he was buried in the hope of the resurrection of the just. His attached congregation, with me, can only bow to the will of God.

On the Sunday following the last Convention (June 8th, 1879), I attended service, and administered the Holy Communion, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Beatty, and in the evening preached the Baccalaureate Sermon in the Chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary, at the College of the Sisters of Bethany.

On Monday morning the annual examinations of the College were closed, and a Musical Recital was held in the evening. On Tuesday morning was the Junior exhibition, and in the evening the annual concert. On Wednesday morning was the Commencement, when two young ladies received their diplomas, and an admirable address was delivered by Judge Brewer, of the Supreme Court. In the evening was the Annual Reunion, interrupted to some extent, as on the previous year, by a sudden storm.

The College has had a very successful year, with a larger attendance during the first and second (the Advent and Epiphany) sessions, than in any previous year. The financial result was somewhat embarrassed by the serious thinning out of the Institution, during the third or Easter session. And it raises the serious question whether it may not be wiser to shorten the school year by one month, thus relieving the pupils from attendance during that hot month, between the middle of May and the middle of June, and securing a more equal attendance during the whole year.

On the morning of Sunday, the 22d of June, I consecrated St. John's Church, Wichita, preaching the sermon and administering the Holy Communion. In the evening, after an address, I confirmed ten (10) persons. Here is another Church, built and paid for, and the prospect of a strong and vigorous parish. On the next morning I confirmed two (2) persons, a mother and an invalid daughter, at a private house in the country. On Tuesday, June 24th, I went to Hutchinson via Newton. On the next day, Wednesday, June 25th, I held service in the Presbyterian Church, where I baptized four (4) infants, preached, and administered the Holy Communion. In the evening attended a reception at the house of one of our people.

The next three Sundays I supplied the services at Grace Cathedral.

On the evening of Friday, July 18th, I preached in St. Andrews Church, Emporia, and on the next morning met the Vestry of St. Andrews and conferred with them. In the afternoon went up to Dunlap, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Burrows, of Emporia, and the Rev. Mr. Carpenter, of Burlington, where we took tea with a family of churchmen residing there, and then went on, by a later train, to Council Grove.

On Sunday, July 20th, at Council Grove, I preached, in the morning, and confirmed seven (7) persons, in the Church of the South Methodist Communion, and in the evening preached again at the same place.

On Monday evening I lectured before the County Teachers' Institute, at its annual session, in Council Grove.

On Sunday, August 3d, I administered the Holy Communion in Grace Cathedral, the late Rev. J. F. Walker, preaching his first sermon here, on a visit which he made me at this time.

On the 5th of August the Standing Committee met at Topeka, transacting their regular business, and, as a Council of Advice, were conferred with by me on certain subjects presented to their attention.

On Sunday, the 10th of August, at Grace Cathedral, after morning prayer, and a sermon by the Rev. J. F. Walker, I ordained, to the Diaconate, Mr. Wm. Horsfall and Mr. James Newman, candidates who were presented by Rev. R. C. Talbott, one of their examiners. I also administered the Holy Communion, and the newly ordained deacons assisted in the delivery of the elements. They were at once assigned to their work, Mr. Horsfall's being in Cherokee county, and Mr. Newman's at Hutchinson and along the line of the middle division of the A. T. & S. F. R. R.

The next seven Sundays I officiated in Grace Cathedral, detained in Topeka, partly by serious sickness in my family, and partly to supply the services in the vacancy of the rectorship.

On Thursday, September 11th, I laid the corner-stone of St. Matthew's Church, Newton. Notwithstanding a very violent wind, quite a large gathering of people took part in the service.

From Monday, September 22d, to Saturday, the 27th, I was occupied in going to, attending, and returning from, a Conference of the Bishops, whose Dioceses touch on the Missouri River. The Conference was at Davenport, and had reference to the especial needs of these Dioceses. Griswold College, at Davenport, and the Divinity School, at Faribault, received the hearty endorsement of the Bishops, and are earnestly recommended to the support of the great central west.

On the 1st of October the Rev. Jonas F. Walker became the Rector of Grace Cathedral Church. Some two or three weeks in May, immediately before the last Convention, Mr. Walker, then Rector of Grace Church, Colorado Springs, Colorado, made me a visit. In view of an asthmatic trouble, under which he suffered much, it was thought that at a lower altitude, and in an atmosphere not so rare as that in the mountains, he might enjoy a more comfortable state of health, and still find an opportunity for great usefulness. The result of his visit was favorable, and he accepted an invitation,

with the consent of his parish in Colorado, to hold the parish for three months, as a period of experiment as to the effect of a lower altitude, from the 1st of September, himself fixing this limit. But the parish soon felt, as his health seemed to improve that it would be better for him to take the Rectorship, even if the state of his health, upon a further trial, should compel him soon to resign it, and, upon my nomination, and at the earnest invitation of the vestry, he accepted it from the 1st of October last, and retained it until the relationship was providentially dissolved by his decease on the 20th day of February last. His letter dismissory from Colorado, was dated September 27th, 1879, and was accepted on September 29th, 1879. May God, who removes our strong props, "supply all our need, according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

On Sunday, October 5th, I was again at Hutchinson, in Reno county. The services were held in the Court House. The Rev. Mr. Newman is engaged successfully in his missionary work. In the morning I baptized three (3) adults and one (1) infant, preached and confirmed five (5) persons. In the evening, made address, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Monday I visited the people. On Tuesday morning I went, with Mr. Newman, to Nickerson, where I visited the people, and in the afternoon went up to Sterling, where, in the evening I preached. There is an earnest body of our people here.

On Thursday, October 23d, I went to Ottawa, where, in the afternoon, I baptized four (4) infants in two different houses, and, in the evening preached in the Congregational Church.

On the next day, Friday, the 24th, I went to Iola with the Rev. Mr. Holden, the Missionary, where, in the evening, I preached in the Presbyterian Church, and confirmed eight (8) persons.

On the next day we came back by two railroads to Williamsburg, where, on Sunday, October 26th, I preached in

twelve or fifteen miles to Frankfort, on the Central Branch, where, in the evening, we held service in the school house. Our congregation was somewhat diminished by a severe storm, which quite drenched us on our return to the friendly quarters where we spent the night.

On the next day, Monday, the 17th, we went some sixteen (16) miles through the mud to Zion Church, in Center township, where, at 3:30 P. M., we held service, and I preached to the people. There were none confirmed. After the service we returned to Irving.

On the next day, Tuesday, November 18th, we drove up to Blue Rapids, where I preached in the evening, and after the service, started by a cattle train for Atchison, which I reached the next morning in time to strike the train for Topeka, where I arrived in the afternoon.

At half-past twelve on the morning of Saturday, November 22d, I was at Beloit, via Solomon City, and after a short sleep spent the day in visiting. The Rev. Geo. W. Morrill, whose letters dismissory from Illinois, dated October 13, 1879, I had accepted October 16th, had been here as a Missionary since the first of July previous, at first with large promise of success, but latterly with very little encouragement.

On Sunday, the 23d, I preached in the morning and in the evening in the Avenue Hall. It was the last Sunday of Mr. Morrill's residence in the city, and at the close of my sermon he made a brief address of farewell. There were none confirmed. On the next day I returned to Topeka. From Kansas Mr. Morrill went Eastward, and spent the greater part of his time for the next five months near his old home in Rhode Island. He came to us a very few years ago from the denomination sometimes known as Unitarian Baptists, and who call themselves pre-eminently Christians. But, having entered our Church and ministry, he soon felt that, for reasons satisfactory to his own mind, he could not be as useful with us as he wished to be, and under the influence of these impressions he became connected with the Presbyterians this spring. At his own request, and for reasons not affecting his moral character,

he was under Title III Canon 3, on the 19th day of May last, deposed from the ministry of this Church.

On Tuesday, December 3d, the Convocation opened at Topeka and it was continued through the Wednesday and Thursday of the week. During these days there were also meetings of the Standing Committee and of the Executive Missionary Committee, and of the Cathedral Chapter. The Cathedral Chapter was at this time organized, and adopted its statutes or by-laws. At the meeting of the Convocation, on Wednesday morning, a Peticant for Holy Orders was confirmed. The Holy Communion was also administered. On Thursday evening, after a missionary meeting at the Church, there was a reception for the clergy present at the Theological School. A violent storm prevented a large attendance. The statutes of the Cathedral will be presented to the Convention for its approval, according to the Canon.

On Sunday, the 7th of December, I was at Parsons, in Labette county, after a night's ride, via Kansas City and Fort Scott. In the morning, at St. John's Memorial Church, I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I drove out with the Rector, Mr. Talbott, to St. Paul's Mission, in Walton Township, where, at the school house, we held service, and I preached and confirmed eleven (11) persons, returning to Parsons just in time to enter the church, where I preached and confirmed four (4) persons.

On the next morning, December 8th, we held service in St. Paul's Church, Osage Mission, and I made an address and confirmed two (2) persons. On leaving the church we took the cars again for Parsons, and going through that city to Oswego, on the trunk road of the M. K. & T. R. R., we held services there, in the evening, in the Methodist Church, where I preached and confirmed seven (7) persons. At a quarter past twelve that night, I took the cars for Topeka, via Parsons, Fort Scott and Kansas City, and reached home in the afternoon of Tuesday.

On Wednesday, December 10th, I solemnized two marriages at Topeka.

On the morning of Sunday, December 14th, I preached at Grace Cathedral, (the Rev. Mr. Walker, then Rector and Dean, officiating at Monmouth), and in the evening I read evening prayer, and made an address at the Chapel of St. Martha and St. Mary, in the College.

On Monday, December 15th, I left Topeka for the east, and arrived at Topeka on my return, on Thursday, the 25th day of March. During this visit I was devoting my time and my thoughts very much to the care of my dear wife in the loss of her sight. Her case came under the view of the best physicians, and there remains to us only the dim hope that in the course of time, if her general health can be fully restored, there may eventually be a partial recovery of sight. We must try to say to the Divine Father, "Thy will be done."

In connexion with this first duty, I was incessantly engaged in other work directly or indirectly bearing upon the interests of my Diocese. In the course of my absence I preached or made addresses outside of Pennsylvania, twenty-nine times, and in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, fifty-six times, in all eighty-five times, and confirmed in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, three hundred and sixty (360) persons on twenty-seven different occasions.

On Thursday, March 25th, the day of my arrival at Topeka, being Holy Thursday, I made, at the evening service, an address in Grace Cathedral, and administered the Holy Communion. On the next day, Good Friday, I also preached in the morning, and on Easter even had a service in the afternoon.

In the vacancy of the Rectorship, the care of Grace Cathedral has come upon me, and I have been very kindly aided by the Rev. Chaplain, of the College, and by the young men, Lay Readers, belonging to the Kansas Theological School.

On Sunday, the 28th of March, being Easter Day, I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, at a special service, I baptized one (1) infant, and in the evening preached.

that parish, which had remained vacant for a considerable time after the resignation of the late incumbent, was happily filled by the Rev. A. Beatty, D. D., who commenced his duties there on the 1st of October last. The class presented was the first fruits of his work in Lawrence. The parish is looking up in two senses—recovering prosperity, and, I trust, realizing more and more its dependence upon the help and grace of God.

On Thursday, April 22d, the Cathedral Chapter held its quarterly meeting at Grace Cathedral, Topeka, and adopted statutes which will be submitted to the approval of this Convention, and also authorized the starting of a mission in East Topeka, based upon the explorations of the Rev. A. Brown, and recommended by the Bishop. There was also a meeting of the Executive Missionary Committee, which transacted its regular business relative to missions outside of the See city. There was morning service with Holy Communion. A sermon had been expected from one of the Canons, by whose non-arrival in time we were disappointed in this particular. On the next morning there was a meeting of the Standing Committee, who with other business recommended Mr. Isaac M. Frey for ordination to the Diaconate at any time after the 5th of May proximo, at which date six months of his candidacy terminated.

Monday, April 26th, found me at Ottawa, where, in the evening, I preached in the Swedish Lutheran Church, and confirmed twelve (12) persons. In the afternoon I had confirmed one (1) person, an invalid, at her own home, making thirteen (13) confirmed at this visitation.

Monday, May 3d, found me at Junction city, where I preached at the Church of the Covenant. There were none confirmed. The Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the Rector, conducted the service. The small debts of the parish have all been paid. The ladies have accumulated quite a sum for the completion of the tower. The interior of the building has been repaired and renovated, and the parish has added another hundred to the salary of the Rector.

On the next day, May 14th, in the morning, I visited St. Mary's Church, Galena, where I made an address and confirmed three (3) persons. By the aid of freight trains, I reached Topeka in time for the services on Sunday the 16th.

On the afternoon of Tuesday, May 10th, I started for Beloit, spending the night at Abilene, and visiting a few families of our people.

On the evening of Wednesday, the 19th, I held service and preached in the Baptist Church. A heavy thunder storm, most acceptable to the parched earth, made the attendance small. But, in view of the great blessing of the welcome rain, we were all content. I visited the people and conferred on the renewal of our mission there.

The night of Thursday I spent at Junction City, where I met a number of our people at a social, at which quite a handsome sum was realized for Church purposes.

On the next morning, Friday, May 21st, I went, with the Rev. Dr. Reynolds, to Wakefield, in Clay county, where, at 11 o'clock, at a service in St. John's Church, the Rev. Wm. H. Hiccox, the Rector, baptized an adult, and the Rev. Dr. Reynolds preached. At a second service, in the evening, I preached and confirmed eight (8) persons. The attendance on both occasions was very large.

On Monday, May 24th, I went to Omaha, Neb., to attend, with many others, the laying of the corner stone of the new Cathedral, which occurred on Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Bishop Whipple delivered the address, which was most appropriate, and which you have all doubtless read.

On Wednesday night, at half-past twelve, I reached St. Joseph, from which place I went, the next morning, to Hiawatha. The Rev. Joseph S. Colton met me here on Thursday afternoon, and we met the people in the evening. Mr. Colton remained to hold service, as he did, on the following Sunday, while I spent the night on a freight train, which was stopped by a broken bridge, on my way to Atchison, from which place I came to Topeka on Saturday.

On Monday, June 21st, I went to Emporia, where, in the evening, I made an address in St. Andrew's Church, and confirmed one (1) person. This parish seems in quite a promising condition.

On Tuesday evening, June 22d, I was at Sterling, in Rice county, which is under the care of the Rev. James Newman. A number of candidates from the country were detained by the harvest. Both here and at Hutchinson I preached to a full congregation.

On Wednesday evening, June 23d, I officiated at Hutchinson, where I baptized one (1) adult, made an address, and confirmed four (4) persons. Several other persons, who had expected to be confirmed at this visitation, some from thirty or forty miles distance, were prevented from coming by the emergencies of the harvest time. This mission along the central part of the A., T. & S. F. R. R. has been thrown back by the drouth of the spring, which destroyed the wheat crop, but is still, notwithstanding this drawback, very hopeful.

On Thursday evening, June 24th, at Trinity Church, Atchison, I made an address and confirmed five (5) persons. The Rev. Mr. Barry, of Leavenworth, was present, and assisted the Rector in the service. The five (5) confirmed here this evening, added to the ten (10) on the previous visitation, make up the number confirmed in this parish for the present year to fifteen (15) persons.

On the same day I received from the ecclesiastical authority of Wisconsin notice of the acceptance of the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Charles Holmes, which was dated May 15, 1880. Mr. Holmes has accepted a call to the Rectorship of Christ Church, at Delavan, Walworth county, Wisconsin. I greatly regret his departure while I warmly sympathize with his motive that he may be near his aged, and recently widowed mother, whose claims to his dutiful affection and oversight, are paramount to all other. The Mission in Marshall county will miss him sadly.

I proceed now from these details to certain other facts or suggestions bearing upon our Diocesan interests or the more general interests of our Church.

I regret that there is so much irregularity, and indeed neglect, in the matter of the collections for our **Diocesan Missions**. If you will look over the report of the **Executive Missionary Committee**, you will be surprised to see how little the recommendation of our Canon on this subject is observed. Where there is no other regular arrangement for raising funds for **Diocesan Missions**, the least that can be done is to make the canonical collections at the quarterly times. I will not dwell upon this, except to express the hope that the clergy will not allow this most important part of their pastoral duty to be overlooked or neglected. I must, in this connection, express my hearty thanks to the Board of Managers of our Board of Missions for their generous addition to the amount heretofore appropriated to our **Kansas Missions**. They have this year doubled the amount heretofore allowed, giving us four thousand dollars. I think the Diocese, through this Convention, may very properly recognize its sense of this kindness in a vote of thanks. The **American Church Missionary Society**, now an auxiliary of the board, has also added another to the list of its **Missionaries** in our Diocese, for which we are and should be grateful.

I am glad that this year I am not obliged to report as large a number of depositions from the ministry as in previous years. As the notices have come to me in their order, they are as follows:

July 2, 1879, Rev. Samuel W. Seton, **Presbyter**, by Bishop Penick, of **Africa**.

November 3, 1879, Rev. George W. Benjamin. **Deacon**, by Bishop Littlejohn, of **Long Island**.

November 3, 1879, Rev. Wm. B. Musgrave, **Presbyter**, by Bishop Littlejohn, of **Long Island**.

March 19, 1880, Rev. Chas. Edwin Fitz, **Deacon**, by Bishop Neely, of **Maine**.

May 18, 1880, Rev. Geo. W. Morrill, **Presbyter**, by Bishop Vail, of **Kansas**.

Only five.

The following candidates have been dropped from the list:

September 11, 1879, Mr. Allen L. McDonald, by Bishop Dudley, of Kentucky.

May 26, 1880, Mr. Joseph A. Tidey, by Bishop Starkey, of Northern New Jersey.

Two of the eldest, most learned, and most venerated of our Bishops have been removed by death—Bishop Odenheimer, of Northern New Jersey, and Bishop Whittingham, of Maryland. In the brief notice of an annual address we can say nothing adequate or satisfactory in regard to men like these. They stood, like Saul among his countrymen, so high above most others. We miss their rare learning, their pure example, their enlarged wisdom, their influence for good. In the removal of such supports from the Church, may God, who thus teaches us our dependence upon Him, also provide what is needed for His sorrowing Church.

Three new Bishops have been added to our number, the Rev. Samuel Smith Harris, of Michigan, consecrated on the 17th of September, 1879, and the Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, D. D., of Northern New Jersey, consecrated on the 7th of January, 1880, and the Rev. John N. Galleher, D. D., of Louisiana, consecrated February 5, 1880. The dear Lord give to them the grace they need.

The subject of the Provincial System has been presented to the Church, in the report of a committee of the House of Bishops, appointed to consider and report upon that subject. They advise, (if the system should be adopted,) the formation of four provinces, running from the north to the south. The Atlantic States for one province, the States from the Alleghanies to the Mississippi for another, the States between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains for a third, and all west of the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific for a fourth. I think the suggestion a good one, *if the system be adopted*, for it embodies two essential principles; first, that the provinces should be as large as possible, and, second, that the principle of elective affinities should never be allowed in the construction of provinces, and that all ecclesiastical, and all civil sectionalism, should be abjured and forbidden; or, in other

words, that in every province there should be required to be as large a variety in ecclesiastical schools, and in civil and political views, as is possible. This principle alone, will provide for, and perpetuate the comprehensiveness of the Church. And let every system, which militates with this principle, perish and come to naught!

But, is the time yet arrived to adopt a subdivision of our present unity? The true principle is to legislate as little as possible, and to let legislation, when it must occur, follow a previous natural necessity. Are we not getting along well enough as we now are? Is there any present need for a Provincial System to be formed and legalized? It will, in some form, doubtless come by and by. But is it not best to wait until it comes itself, instead of trying to force it, by legislative tampering, to come before its time? Is it not best to let well enough alone, and not needlessly to change a plan which has hitherto worked well? I suppose it will be proper for this Convention to express, in some way, its opinion upon the matter.

There is another subject, which is now being considerably discussed in the Church, namely, the adding of more Missionary Bishops to the present number. I am willing to unite with my brethren in adding *one* other, namely, a Missionary Bishop to New Mexico. This was a part of the original agreement, when all our great West, not under Episcopal charge, was divided into the present districts or jurisdictions. New Mexico was one in that original division. One attempt was made to fill it, but, after the resignation of Bishop Adams, that attempt has never been renewed, and New Mexico remains still vacant. That is the only spot in our whole country which is not covered by an Episcopate formally assigned to it. The old agreement should be carried out, and a Missionary Bishop appointed for New Mexico. This I maintain.

But here I think we should stop. We do need, I admit, more Bishops among these great outlying Territories. But let them be (and here is my proposal squarely presented), not

Missionary Bishops, but *Diocesan Bishops*. The normal principle in our Church is *Diocesan Episcopacy*. The *Missionary Episcopate* is *abnormal*. It is only for an emergency, and in its nature is only temporary. *It should, as soon as possible, be changed into a Diocesan Episcopate.* My view is, that the present Canon of the General Convention, on Missionary Bishops and Missionary Districts, should be so modified that in every Missionary District, including twelve parishes or stations and twelve clergymen, a Diocese should be immediately formed; that this should be made a rule and required absolutely by the Canon; that, as in the division of a Diocese, the Missionary Bishop shall elect whether he will be the Bishop of the new Diocese, or continue as Missionary Bishop over the remaining portion of his jurisdiction; that, in the event of his electing to remain as Missionary Bishop, then the new Diocese shall choose its own Bishop, as other Dioceses do; and that, in the event of his electing to be the Bishop of the new Diocese, then a new Missionary Bishop shall be nominated by the House of Bishops, and elected and consecrated for the remaining portion of the Missionary district as heretofore. This plan will gradually substitute Diocesan Bishops for Missionary Bishops, increasing the number of Bishops without increasing the number of Missionary Bishops. It will be no harder in the new Dioceses thus created than it has been in Kansas from the start, no harder than it has been in almost every one of our old Dioceses in their early history. The law of all true progress is struggle and self-denial. And sacrifice in every new undertaking is the *vis vitæ* which carries it to success.

Our present Canon is very defective. It makes no provision for compelling Diocesan organization. It perpetuates an abnormal condition of things. It gives a bonus for continuing the Missionary dependency long after the normal Diocese should be erected. Instead of stimulating what should be a Diocesan Church to provide for itself as soon as possible, it takes away all motive for self-support by giving it support from outside. Several of these jurisdictions are as well able

to care for themselves to-day as Kansas was or is; or perhaps as Quincy, or Springfield, or Fond du Lac; or perhaps as Mississippi, or Alabama; or even New Hampshire, or Vermont. was or is. To be sure, having been so long dependent upon the Board of Missions, it would be hard for them at first to form the new habit of self-support; and if it should be necessary, there is no reason why the Board of Missions should not contribute to aid them to a proper extent, although they should have a Diocesan organization. And they, as Dioceses, will have as just a claim and right to aid as they now have.

The peculiar circumstances of my own Diocese, and my own relations to it in the Episcopate, have led me to think much upon this topic, and to enquire how the problem shall be worked out, and the foregoing is my solution of it. No one appreciates more than I do, the energy and self-devotion of our present Missionary Bishops; and, perhaps, none appreciate more than they do, many of the difficulties in our existing system. And, I am sure, none would be more willing to make the self-sacrifice that may be demanded in adjusting our present difficulties. In the search for a plan based upon sound principles, which have been always recognized among us, I throw out these suggestions.

I have long felt the need of an Incorporated Board for holding Church property, such as church buildings, church lots, church furniture, parsonages, or funds for special objects. I recommend to the Convention the appointment of such a Board, and have prepared a Canon, which, if the Convention approve my recommendation, I will put into the hands of the Committee on Canons, as a possible guide in the preparation of such a Canon as may be needed.

I further suggest the appointment of a committee to request the Legislature of the State, at its next session, this coming winter, to so modify the General Statutes of Corporations, under the head of Benevolent, Religious and Educational Corporations, as not to allow the trustees of such corporations, to place any lien upon, or to alienate, any real or other property held by them in trust, without the written

consent of such person or persons, or of such committee, or other board, as shall be, or shall have been, appointed for the purpose of giving or withholding such consent, at a regular meeting, by the Convention, Conference, Association, Synod or other local or general deliberative or ecclesiastical body, with which such religious, benevolent or educational corporations are connected. The generous gifts of noble givers from outside of this State to all charitable enterprises for the benefit of our State and people, ought to be protected, and secured for the purposes for which they are, or have been, given; and the State which reaps the benefit of such gifts ought to furnish the needful protection.

The report of the Cathedral Chapter will be laid before you, and your approval of its Statutes and By-Laws, as prepared and adopted by the Chapter, will be asked. As one of the first-fruits of this organization, it has been determined to commence a mission in East Topeka, where an inviting field is before us.

May the Holy Spirit so guide and govern us in our present work, that His great name may be glorified, and that many of Christ's sheep, scattered abroad in this naughty world, may be gathered into His fold.

APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALLEN COUNTY.

St. Timothy's Mission, Iola and vicinity, REV. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

Inhabitants, 1,000, estimated.

Took charge April, 1868.

Families, 18.

Congregation, 100.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 30; on other days, 10; total, 40.

Communions, 2.

Communicants: Last reported, 16; admitted, 8; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 5; present number, male, 7; present number, female, 13; total, 20.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.. \$150 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$150 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop..... \$ 11 00

Diocesan Missions..... 3 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 14 00

For general objects:

Domestic missions..... \$ 1 00

Foreign missions..... 1 00

Mission to the Jews..... 1 00

Bp. White, prayer book society..... 1 00

Total for general objects..... 4 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$ 168 00

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$140; the offertory, \$10; special subscriptions, \$11.

Condition of Parish.—Salary pledged to rector, \$140.

Remarks: At Iola, as at Williamsburg and Ottawa, we have no church building, and are dependent upon others for a suitable place for services; and, though the members are much scattered, requiring services at different points, still their cheerful efforts, and faithful attendance, make it most desirable and important that the services be continued.

ATCHISON COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Atchison, REV. FRANK O. OSBORNE, Rector.

Inhabitants, 14,000.

Took charge April 1, 1876.

Individuals not included in families, 50.

Families, 106.

Total of souls in parish, 506.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10.

Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 5. Burials, 11.

Public Services: On Sundays, 118; on holy days, 43; on other days, 48; total, 209.

Communions, 33.

Communicants: Last reported, 130; admitted, 15; added by removal, 34; lost by removal, 24; died, 3; present number, male, 37; present number, female, 115; total, 152.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 11; scholars, male, 67; scholars, female, 61; total, 143.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses, fuel, light, music, sexton, insurance, etc.....	\$1,784 66
Communion alms not otherwise reported...	94 30
Furnaces.....	392 20
Addition to rectory fund.....	264 35
Sunday School expenses.....	78 64
Christmas expense.....	75 10

Total for Parochial objects..... \$2,680 25

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$57 50
Convention assessment.....	32 00
Diocesan missions.....	47 17

Total for Diocesan objects..... 136 67

For general objects:

Aged and infirm clergy.....	\$14 65
Domestic missions.....	6 45
N. Y. B. & C. P. B. Society.....	2 45
Bishop White P. B. Society.....	3 40
Female P. B. Society.....	3 65
Jewish missions.....	5 05
Church mission to deaf mutes.....	11 30

Total for general objects..... 46 95

Total of all expenditures and offerings.. \$2,862 87

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$1,385; interest on invested funds, \$100; the offertory, \$661.93; special subscriptions, \$367.95; Ladies' Society, \$318.82; Parish Missionary Society, \$34.57.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$2,000; Church, \$15,000; rectory fund, \$1,364.35; total, \$18,364.35. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200. Sunday School library, 280 volumes.

BOURBON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott, REV. BENJ. HARTLEY, Rector.

Inhabitants, 8,000.

Took charge April 27, 1879.

Families, 53.

Congregation, 158.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 98; on holy days, 3; on other days, 12; total, 113.

Communion, 12.

Communicants: Last reported, 50; admitted, 13; lost by removal, 16; present number male, 11; present number female, 36; total, 47.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 5; scholars, male, 37; scholars, female, 44; total, 90.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures, current expenses.....	\$178 86
Salary of Rector, in addition to parsonage.....	600 00
Communion alms.....	27 05
Church improvement.....	46 00
Rectory improvement.....	41 00
Bell and belfry, \$269.40; music, \$104.....	373 40
Debt, \$250; Christmas decorations, \$20.....	270 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$1,536 31

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 20 00
Convention assessment.....	15 00
Diocesan missions.....	12 53

Total for Diocesan objects..... 47 53

For general objects:

General missions.....	\$ 11 35
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Total for general objects..... 11 35

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$1,595 19

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$650.80; the offertory, \$153.34; special subscriptions, \$643.40; Ladies' Society, \$28.75; Sunday School Societies, \$118.90.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,000; Church, \$3,000; rectory, \$1,200; total, \$5,200. Floating debt, \$150. Salary pledged to Rector, \$600 and parsonage. Sunday School library, 150 volumes.

CHEROKEE COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Baxter Springs, REV. WM. HORSFALL, Missionary.

Population, 1,000.

Value of church property, \$250.

Families, 25. Congregation, 72.

Communicants, 20. Confirmations, 10.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; infants, 6; total, 9.

Services: Sundays, 21; week days, 19; total, 40.

Salary pledged to Missionary, no money. The vestry pay the rent of the dwelling used as a parsonage.

The present Missionary commenced his duties January 1, 1880.

Services are held on three Sundays in each month, the Missionary officiating here and at Galena the same day. The new church is expected to be ready for use in August next.

In connection with parish there is an unorganized mission five miles west, on the Chetopa road, where occasional services are held.

St. Mary's Church, Galena, REV. WM. HORSFALL, Missionary.

Population, 2,000.

Value of church property, \$1,100.

Families, 17. Congregation, 42. Communicants, 15.

Baptisms: Adults, 1.

Confirmations, 3.

Sunday School: Scholars, 35; teachers, 6.

Services: Sundays, 19; week days, 2; total, 21.

Salary pledged to Missionary, nothing.

The present Missionary commenced his duties on January 1, 1880. The parish organized and incorporated February, 1880.

Services on three Sundays in each month, the Missionary officiating here and at Baxter Springs the same day.

A new church building, with seating accommodation for 176 people, has lately been erected and inclosed.

St. Paul's Mission, Columbus, REV. WM. HORSFALL, Missionary.

Population, 1,200.

No church property.

Families, 10. Congregation, 26.

Communicants, 17. Confirmations, 3.

Services: Sundays, 11.

Salary pledged to Missionary, nothing.

The present Missionary succeeded the Rev. J. L. Gay in charge January 1, 1880. Mission organized April, 1880.

In connection with this Mission, occasional services are held at the stone school house three and one-quarter miles southeast, on the Galena road.

CLAY COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wakefield, REV. WM. H. HICKCOX, Rector.

Took charge, July, 1874.

Families, 28; congregation, 125.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 4. Burials, 2.

Public Services, 120.

Communion, 13.

Communicants: Admitted, 8; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 4; died, 1; present number, male, 29; present number, female, 36; total, 65.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 2; scholars, 14; total, 17.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures.....	\$ 78 00
Salary of Rector and other current expenses	210 00
Communion alms.....	5 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$293 00

Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 23 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00
Diocesan missions.....	55 04
Total for Diocesan objects.....	83 04
For general objects:	
Domestic missions.....	\$ 5 00
Foreign missions.....	17 30
Total for general objects.....	22 30
Total of all expenditures and offerings...	\$ 398 34
Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$200; the offertory, \$5; special subscriptions, \$20; Ladies' Society, \$68.50.	
Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Glebe, \$200; Church, \$600; rectory, \$550; total, \$1,350. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200; arrears of salary unpaid, \$20. Sunday School library, 150 volumes.	

COFFEY COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension, Burlington, REV. J. THOMPSON CARPENTER,
Rector.

Inhabitants, 2,000.	
Took charge March 1, 1879.	
Families, 22.	
Congregation, 95.	
Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4.	
Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 80; on holy days, 10; on other days, 18; total, 108.	
Communions, 12.	
Communicants: Last reported, 30; admitted, 2; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 7; present number, male, 9; present number, female, 17; total, 26.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 5; scholars, male, 23; scholars, female, 34; total, 65.	
Offerings—Objects within the Parish:	
Salary of rector and other current expenses...	\$431 61
Communion alms.....	14 00
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$445 61
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$14 40
Convention assessment.....	11 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....	25 40
For general objects:	
Christmas fund.....	\$3 50
Domestic missions.....	1 00
Total for general objects.....	4 50
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$475 51

Source of the above indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$279.81; the offertory, \$17.50; special subscriptions, \$120; Ladies' Society, \$58.20.

Condition of Parish—Value of church property: Church lot, \$500; Church, \$3,000; total, \$3,500. Floating debt, \$150; total, \$150. Salary pledged to Rector, \$300. Sunday school library, 134 volumes.

Remarks: Since Easter there has been a marked increase in numbers and in interest in both Church and Sunday School. That this interest may continue, and that the result may be to God's glory in the growth of His Church in this place, is my earnest prayer.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Girard, Rev. GEORGE P. COMINGS, Rector.

Inhabitants, 1,300.

Took charge September 15th, 1878.

Families, 22; Congregation, 80.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 6.

Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 104; on holy days, 5; on other days, 40; total, 149.

Communions, 13.

Communicants: Last reported, 36; admitted, 3; added by removal, 2; died, 1; present number, male, 13; present number, female, 27; total, 40.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 3; scholars, male, 15; scholars, female, 25; total 45.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Salary of Rector.....	\$200 00
Sunday School expenses.....	16 81
Current expenses and repairs.....	103 04

Total for Parochial objects..... \$ 319 85

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 17 00
Convention assessments.....	5 00
Diocesan missions.....	4 60

Total for Diocesan objects..... 26 60

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	9 80
For missions for Jews.....	2 10

Total for general objects..... 11 90

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$358 35

Source of the above indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$200; the offertory, \$260; special subscriptions, \$12; Ladies' Society, \$30.94; Sunday School, \$21.01.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$350; Church, \$300; total, \$650. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200. Sunday School library, 78 volumes,

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$ 6 00	
Foreign missions.....	6 00	
Mission to the Jews.....	5 87	
Total for general objects.....		17 87

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$1,477 51

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$436; the offertory, \$470; special subscriptions, \$250; Ladies' Society, \$313; alms box, \$8.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,500; Church, \$18,000; chapel, \$2,500; rectory, \$2,000; total, \$24,000. Parish debt: funded, \$7,775; floating, \$400; total, \$8,175. Salary pledged to Rector, \$600; parish library, 40 volumes; Sunday School library, 150 volumes.

Remarks: The loss by removals, and the heavy pressure of the debt on this parish, have greatly weakened its strength. It seems, however, to have reached its lowest point of depression, and betokens a gradual recovery of its energy and power. The Rector is indebted to the parishioners for the very great kindness which they have manifested to himself and family.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa, REV. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary and Rector.

Inhabitants, over 4,000.

Took charge November, 1879.

Families, 24. Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Adults, 6.

Confirmed, 13. Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 29; on holy days, 1; on other days, 12; total 42.

Communions, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 12; admitted, 13; added by removal, 10; lost by removal, 3; died, 1; present number, male, 6; present number, female, 25; total, 31.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of rector and other current expenses...	\$161 50	
Communion alms.....	27 03	
Total for Parochial objects.....		\$161 53

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	7 90	
Diocesan missions.....	17 83	
Total for Diocesan objects.....		25 73

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$2 90	
Foreign missions.....	2 30	
Missions to Jews.....	1 00	
Bishop White Prayer-Book Society.....	3 00	
Total for general objects		9 20

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$196 46

Source of the above indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$111; the offertory, \$45.

Salary pledged to rector, \$250.

Remarks: The work at Ottawa was commenced the last Sunday in November, 1879, and services are held one-half the time. But having no Church building or room belonging to the parish or under their control, excepting during the hours of regular service, a Sunday school cannot as yet be successfully organized. It was hoped a Church could have been built this year, but certain removals and other circumstances make it unwise to attempt it at present. But altogether there is cause for encouragement, and the prospects for the Church in Ottawa are promising.

St. Barnabas Mission, Williamsburg, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary and Rector.

Inhabitants, about 450.

Took charge January, 1878. Organized January, 1880.

Families, 18. Congregation, 80.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 28; on holy days, 2; on other days, 6; total, 36.

Communion, 4.

Communicants: Last reported, 16; admitted, 8; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 3; present number, males, 9; present number, females, 16; total, 25.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses...	\$150 00
Communion alms.....	11 14

Total for Parochial objects.....	\$161 14
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Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$6 50
Diocesan missions.....	5 25

Total for Diocesan objects.....	11 75
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For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$2 19
Foreign missions.....	1 70
Missions to Jews.....	1 00
Bishop White Prayer-Book Society.....	2 00

Total for general objects	6 89
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Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$179 79
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Source of the above indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$125; the offertory, \$35.14; special subscriptions, \$8.50.

Salary pledged to Rector, \$150; arrears of salary unpaid, \$25.

Remarks: The removals from the parish of communicants and others since last Convention have greatly reduced its financial ability. It has thus far been impracticable to organize a Sunday school, as we have no place to hold it. The congregation is widely scattered, and the Missionary is only with them one-fourth of the time.

LABETTE COUNTY.

St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons, REV. R. C. TALBOTT, Rector.

Inhabitants, 4,000.

Took charge February 14, 1879.

Families, 65. Congregation, 150.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

Public Services: 120.

Communions, 14.

Communicants: Last reported, 40; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 6; total, 36.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 7; scholars, male, 20; scholars, female, 30; total, 61.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Expenditures.....	\$331 80
Salary of Rector and other current expenses..	650 00
Communion alms.....	25 25

Total for Parochial objects..... \$1,007 05

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop, 1880.....	\$ 8 50
Convention assessment, 1880.....	8 00
Diocesan missions.....	5 10

Total for Diocesan objects..... 21 60

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$1,028 65

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$650; the offertory, \$25.25; special subscriptions, \$331.80; Ladies' Society, \$50.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$300; Church, \$5,000; rectory, \$800; total \$6,100. Parish debt: Floating, \$50; total, \$50. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500.

Remarks: The Rector of this parish has also charge of work in other outside points, and reports confirmed in Walton township, 10; in Parsons, 4; in Osage Mission, 2; in Oswego 7; total during the conventional year, 23 confirmed.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth, REV. THOMAS W. BARRY, B. D., Rector.

Inhabitants, 20,000.

Took charge January 1, 1878. Organized December 10, 1856.

Families, 110. Congregation, 550.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 8. Burials, 11.

Public Services: On Sundays, 140; on holy days, 36; on other days, 20; total 196.

Communions, 35.

Communicants: Last reported, 105; admitted, 6; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 6; died, 2; present number, male, 20; present number, female, 78; total, 107.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 5; teachers and officers, female, 7; scholars, male, 60; scholars, female, 78; total, 150.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses,	\$1,700 00
Communion alms.....	74 50
Church debt.....	1,008 00

Total for Parochial objects.....	\$2,782 50
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Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$20 00
Convention assessment.....	12 00
Diocesan missions.....	3 65

Total for Diocesan objects.....	35 65
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For general objects:

Female P. B. Society.....	\$4 00
N. Y. Bible & P. B. Society.....	3 00

Total for general objects	7 00
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Total of all expenditures and offerings..	\$2,825 15
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Source of the above indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$1,300; the offertory, \$435.15; special subscriptions, \$82; Ladies' Society, \$1,008. Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,000; Church, \$18,000; total, \$19,000. Parish debt, funded, \$950. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,200. Parish library, 50 volumes; Sunday school library, 300 volumes.

Remarks: Of the balance of the Church debt, \$750 is already subscribed, leaving it necessary to procure only \$200 more to pay the indebtedness.

LYON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, REV. THOMAS BURROWS, Rector.

Inhabitants, 5,785.

Took charge October 1, 1878. Organized February 1, 1869.

Families, 20. Congregation, 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; total, 1.

Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.

Public Services: On Sundays, 86; on holy days, 3; on other days, 4; total, 93.

Communion, 14.

Communicants: Last reported, 40; added by removal, 7; lost by removal, 20; present number, male, 8; present number, female, 19; total, 27.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 3; scholars, male, 15; scholars, female, 18; total, 38.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses, and reduction of debt.....	\$684 51
Communion alms.....	22 60

Total for Parochial objects.....	\$ 707 11
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Objects within the Diocese:		
Salary of the Bishop.....	14	50
Convention assessment.....	10	00
Diocesan missions.....	10	91
Total for Diocesan objects.....	35	41
For general objects:		
American Church Missionary Society.....	2	35
Total for general objects.....	2	35
Total of all expenditures and offerings...	\$	744 87

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, about, \$300; the offertory, \$22.60; special subscriptions, \$50; Ladies' Society, and other helps, \$268.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$400; Church, \$3,000; rectory, \$1,100; total, \$4,500. Parish debt: Funded, \$500; total, \$500. Sunday School library, 50 volumes.

Remarks: This has been a trying year on this struggling but hopeful parish. The large number lost by removals has greatly reduced our working and available forces. Quite a number of new families attached to our Church have come into this city, or vicinity, but they have not yet fully identified themselves with us. The balance of a \$100 debt on the organ, has been paid. \$66 of interest and \$50 of the principal, of \$550 debt on the rectory, have also been paid. An addition of 12x16 feet has been built to the rectory, and paid for, costing about \$90. All things considered, there is a fair degree of interest manifest. By and by this will rank as one of the strong parishes of the Diocese. I have done some missionary work in adjoining school districts, and three months ago made quite a canvass of the vicinity of Eureka, Greenwood county, fifty miles south. I held three services, and arrangements are now in progress looking toward a monthly service on a week day, and a Sunday service once in two months. A good deal of material might be worked into quite an active parish if we had a good man to give his whole time to the work in that town. Relying on the Divine promises I can thank God and take courage, and go on my way rejoicing.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville, Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Rector.

Inhabitants, 700.

Took charge March 8, 1878. Organized August, 1878.

Families, 17. Congregation, 60.

Marriages, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 24; on other days, 6; total 30.

Communion, 3.

Communicants: Last reported, 27; lost by removal, 1; present number, male, 8; present number, female, 18; total, 26.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 3; scholars, 40; total, 44.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses...	\$120	00
Communion alms.....	3	85

Total for Parochial objects..... \$123 85

Objects within the Diocese:	
Diocesan missions.....	\$1 35
Total for Diocesan objects.....	1 35
For general objects:	
Domestic missions.....	\$2 50
Total for general objects.....	2 50
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....	\$127 70

Source of the above indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$120; the offertory, \$3 85.

Condition of the Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$75; Church, \$1,425.

Remarks: The charge of this parish was resigned in November, 1879.

St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville, REV. CHARLES H. CANFIELD, Rector.

Inhabitants, 700.

Took charge November 30, 1880.

Families, 18. Congregation, 70.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 1.

Public Services: On Sundays, 104; on holy days, 5; on other days, 51; total, 160.

Communions, 6.

Communicants: Last reported, 23; lost by removal, 3; present number, male, 6; present number, female, 14; total, 20.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 5; scholars, male, 20; scholars, female, 30; total, 57.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Debt on organ paid for.....	\$ 30 75
Salary of Rector and other current expenses,	260 00
Incidental expenses.....	10 09

Total for Parochial objects..... \$300 84

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$10 00
Convention assessment.....	5 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 15 00

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	\$ 1 02
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Total for general objects..... 1 02

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$316 86

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$200; Ladies' Society, \$30.75.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot \$100; Church, \$1,400; total, \$1,500. Parish debt: Floating, \$25. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200.

Remarks: I have appointed, for Lay-Reader, Judge W. A. Peffer. He reads every alternate Sunday, to good congregations, both forenoon and evening. St. Paul's is doing a good work. There seems to be a spiritual influence (which is the best of all) at work. All is harmony and good will in the parish.

Church of the Epiphany, Independence, REV. C. H. CANFIELD, Rector.

Inhabitants, 2,500.

Took charge November 23, 1879. Church organized April 1, 1872.

Families, 12.

Congregation, 30.

Baptisms: Infants, (private) 3; total, 3.

Burials, 2.

Public Services: On Sundays, 52; on holy days, 8; on other days, 9; total, 69.

Communions, 6.

Communicants: Last reported, 25; lost by removal, 6; present number, male, 3; present number, female, 16; total, 19.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, female, 3; scholars, male, 8; scholars, female, 20; total, 31.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Insurance, sexton, repairs, ect..... \$135 00

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.. 245 00

Total for Parochial objects..... \$380 00

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop..... \$ 10 00

Convention assessment..... 5 00

Total for Diocesan objects..... 15 00

For general objects:

Domestic Missions..... \$ 2 45

Total for general objects..... 2 45

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$ 397 45

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$200; the offertory, \$25; Ladies' Society, \$135.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$200; Church, \$1,300; total, \$1,500. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200. Sunday School library, 20 volumes.

Remarks: My salary is paid whenever I ask for it. We are holding our own.

MORRIS COUNTY.**Church of the Messiah, Council Grove, REV. THOMAS BURROWS, Rector.**

Inhabitants, 1,200.

Took charge April, 1879.

Families, 18.

Congregation, 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; total, 5.

Confirmed, 7.

Public Services: On Sundays, 10.

Communicants: About 15.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector..... \$130 74

Communion alms..... 10 48

Total for Parochial objects..... \$141 22

Objects within the Diocese:		
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$	1 50
Diocesan missions.....		10 00
Total for Diocesan objects.....		11 50
Total of all expenditures and offerings...	\$	152 72

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$130.74; the offertory, \$10.48.

Remarks: In addition to the regular monthly service at Council Grove, I have held service several times in Swartz school house, thirteen miles distant, and several times at White City, seventeen miles distant. The attendance has been very good at both places. Owing to several causes, the services have been temporarily discontinued. Lots were given, conditioned on building a Church within a year, and pledges were made sufficient to erect a very neat little building, but nothing additional has been done.

RENO COUNTY.

Grace Church, Hutchinson, REV. JAMES NEWMAN, Rector.

Inhabitants, 1,900.

Took charge August 22, 1879.

Families, 40.

Congregation, 85.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 4; total, 6.

Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 4. Burials, 8.

Public Services: On Sundays, 41; on holy days, 1; on other days, 1; total, 43.

Communion, 1.

Communicants: Admitted, 22; lost by removal, 3; died, 1; present number, male, 8; present number, female, 14; total, 22.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses..	\$364 94
Communion alms.....	2 80
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$367 74

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$10 00
Diocesan missions.....	9 50
Total for Diocesan objects.....	19 50

For general objects:

Domestic missions.....	5 00
Total for general objects.....	5 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings..... \$392 24

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$115; the offertory, \$39.40; special subscriptions, \$38.30; Ladies' Society, \$199.54.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$250. Salary pledged to Rector, \$200; arrears of salary unpaid, \$35.

Remarks: Value of Church property not herein mentioned, \$150. The Parish is not in the best possible condition, in consequence of drouth, etc., etc.

RILEY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Manhattan, Rev. J. H. LEE, Rector.

Inhabitants, 2,125.	
Took charge January 1, 1876.	
Organized, September, 1855.	
Families, 33. Congregation, 125.	
Baptisms: Infants, 9.	
Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 5. Burials, 5.	
Public Services: 80.	
Communions, 12.	
Communicants: Last reported, 61; admitted, 4; added by removal.	
7; lost by removal, 10; present number male, 16; present number	
female, 46; total, 62.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and offi-	
cers, female, 7; scholars, 54; total, 65.	
Offerings—Objects within the parish:	
Salary of Rector and other current expenses, \$475 03	
Total for Parochial objects.....	\$475 03
Objects within the Diocese:	
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 21 00
Convention assessment.....	10 00
Diocesan missions.....	13 50
Total for Diocesan objects.....	44 50
For general objects:	
Domestic missions.....	\$ 11 50
Foreign missions.....	21 22
American Bible Society.....	5 00
Total for general objects.....	37 72
Total of all expenditures and offerings...	\$ 557 25
Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot,	
\$500; Church, \$5,000; total, \$5,500. Salary pledged to Rector, \$400;	
arrears of salary unpaid, \$55. Sunday School library, 75 volumes.	

SALINE COUNTY.

Christ's Church, Salina, Rev. THOMAS B. DOOLEY, Rector.

Inhabitants, 3,000.	
Took charge, 1874. Organized, 1870.	
Families, 29; congregation, 100.	
Baptisms: Infants, 9.	
Marriages, 6. Burials, 14.	
Public Services: On Sundays, 94; on holy days, 5; on other days,	
14; total, 113.	
Communions, 15.	
Communicants: Last reported, 64; lost by removal, 14; present	
number, male, 17; present number, female, 33; total, 50.	
Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and offi-	
cers, female, 5; total, 80.	

Offerings—Objects within the parish :

Salary of Rector, and other current expenses,	\$321 53	
Communion alms.....	2 50	
Organ.....	50 00	
Painting and repairs on Church.....	80 00	
Salary of organist.....	50 00	
Sunday School.....	50 00	
Total for Parochial objects.....		\$554 03

Objects within the Diocese :

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 25 00	
Convention assessment.....	6 00	
Diocesan missions.....	11 00	
Total for Diocesan objects.....		42 00

For general objects:

Christmas fund.....	\$2 80	
Domestic missions.....	5 00	
Total for general objects.....		7 80
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....		\$603 83

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$241.50; the offertory, \$132.03; special subscriptions, \$60; Ladies' Society, \$160.30.

Condition of Parish— Value of Church property: Church lot, \$400; Church, \$1,500; total, \$1,900. Parish debt: Floating, \$50. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500. Parish library, 9 volumes; Sunday School library, 158 volumes.

Remarks: The unprecedented removal of Church families from the city, has made a large deficit in congregation and Sunday School, and, of course, in the financial condition of the parish.

SEDGWICK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Wichita, REV. JOSEPH S. COLTON, Rector.

Inhabitants, 5,300. Organized April 3, 1874.

Took charge May 1, 1878.

Families, 40. Congregation, 200.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 6; total, 10.

Confirmed, 17. Marriages, 10. Burials, 8.

Public Services: On Sundays, 107; on holy days, 8; on other days, 28; total, 143.

Communions, 14.

Communicants: Last reported, 30; admitted, 31; added by removal, 7; lost by removal, 4; present number, male, 12; present number female, 49; total, 61.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 7; scholars, 70; total, 80.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses,	\$511 48	
Communion alms, not otherwise reported.....	2 35	
Special offering for poor.....	27 00	
Presents to Rector.....	45 00	
Sunday School library.....	45 00	
Christmas purposes.....	18 00	
Organ.....	100 00	
Heater.....	110 00	
Sunday School.....	60 00	
Total for Parochial objects.....		\$918 83

Objects within the Diocese:		
Salary of the Bishop.....	\$9 00	
Diocesan missions.....	2 55	
Aged clergy fund.....	4 50	
Total for Diocesan objects.....		16 05
For general objects:		
Domestic missions.....	\$ 4 53	
"Home," at Leavenworth.....	4 85	
Total for general objects.....		9 38
Total of all expenditures and offerings...		\$944 26

Source of the above indicated as follows: Regular subscriptions, \$337.43; the offertory, \$100; special subscriptions, \$94; Ladies' Society, \$142.40. Sale of lots, \$200. Sunday School, \$60.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$100; Church, \$2,100. Salary pledged to Rector, \$500. Sunday School library, 200 volumes.

Remarks: I resigned the Rectorship of this parish June 30, 1880, to take charge of another field. From March, 1879, I officiated at Winfield, Cowley county, once in two months, on Sunday, and in March, 1880, a parish was organized there with about twenty-five communicants. Several persons then desired confirmation. The Rev. I. M. Frey has since been placed in charge, as Rector.

SHAWNEE COUNTY.

Grace Cathedral, Topeka, under Bishop in vacancy of Rectorship.

Organized June, 1879.

Families, 90. Congregation, 350.

Baptisms: Infants, 7.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 7. Burials, 9.

Public Services: On Sundays, 101; on holy days, 26; on other days, 35; total, 161.

Communion, 25.

Communicants: Last reported, 130; admitted, 8; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 8; died, 1; present number, male, 35; present number, female, 100; total, 135.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, male, 36; scholars, female, 57; total, 101.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Salary of Rector and other current expenses.....	\$1,639 28	
Communion alms, applied to various benevolent objects here reported.....		
Repairs of rectory.....	99 54	
Towards organ.....	1,000 00	
Church debt.....	389 80	
Sunday School library.....	78 06	
Total for Parochial objects.....		\$3,206 68

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 72 50	
Convention assessment.....	32 00	
Diocesan missions.....	113 84	
Total for Diocesan objects.....		218 34

For general objects:

Christmas fund.....	\$ 6 00	
Domestic missions.....	16 00	
Foreign missions, \$5; Mexico, \$5.....	10 00	
Indian missions.....	5 00	
Home missions to colored people.....	5 00	
Education of Theological students.....	12 00	
Deaf mutes, \$10; Society for Jews, \$10.....	20 00	
Bp. White, Prayer Book Society.....	5 00	
N. Y. B. & P. B. Society.....	5 00	
Total for general objects.....		84 00
Total of all expenditures and offerings.....		\$3,509 02

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Pew rents, \$900; the offertory, \$700; special subscriptions, \$1,230.96; Ladies' Society, \$600. Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$1,500; Church \$5,000; organ, \$1,700; rectory, \$1,500; total, \$9,700. Parish debt: Funded, \$200. Salary pledged to Rector, \$1,000 and house. Sunday School library, 150 volumes.

Remarks: The late Rector, the Rev. J. F. Walker, had the care of the parish for about six months, from September 1, 1879, to February, 1880. A few days after the last annual convention, the Rev. Richard Ellerby was invited to the Rectorship, and will enter upon his duties in the early part of August, prox.

Emmanuel Church. Monmouth, REV. ALFRED BROWN, Rector.

Organized May 29, 1871.

Families, 15. Congregation, 50.

Baptisms: Infants, 2.

Burials, 1.

Communion, 3.

Communicants: present number, male, 9; present number, female, 16; total, 25.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 1; scholars, male, 10; scholars, female, 20; total, 33.

Offerings—Objects within the parish:

Current expenses.....	\$201 92	
Communion alms.....	5 00	
Total for Parochial objects.....		\$206 92

Objects within the Diocese:

Salary of the Bishop.....	\$ 11 50	
Convention assessment.....	2 50	

Total for Diocesan objects..... 14 00

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$220 92

Source of the above, indicated as follows: Special subscriptions, \$180; Ladies' Society, \$10.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$200; Church, \$2,000; total, \$2,200.

WYANDOTTE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte, REV. JOHN BENNETT, Rector.

Inhabitants, 6,139.

Took charge May 8, 1880.

Portions of families, 14.

Families, 20. Congregation, 60.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9.

Confirmed, 3. Burials, 4.

Public Services: On Sundays, 45; on holy days, 3; on other days, 3; total 51.

Communions, 8.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 4; scholars, male, 20; scholars, female, 40; total, 68.

Offerings—Objects within the Parish:

Expenditures.....	\$187 00
Salary of Rector and other current expenses,	180 00
Sunday School.....	9 39

Total for Parochial objects..... \$376 39

Total of all expenditures and offerings... \$376 39

Source of the above, indicated as follows: The offertory, \$207; Ladies' Society, \$160.

Condition of Parish—Value of Church property: Church lot, \$2,300; Church, \$500; rectory, \$100; total, \$2,900. Salary pledged to Rector, \$400; arrears of salary unpaid, undetermined.

The Rector having been in the parish but a month, has found the parish very much disorganized, and, as yet, many do not seem to have learned that the services have been regularly resumed.

Remarks: I have administered Holy Communion twice, and but seventeen of the fifty-five confirmed persons found so far in the bounds of the parish, partook. At least one-third of the fifty-five have not even, as yet, attended services, but we hope soon to find things more hopeful.

REV. JAMES NEWMAN.

To the Rt. Rev. Thos. H. Vail, D. D., LL.D., Topeka, Kansas.

DEAR BISHOP: With this I send "Parochial Report" for Hutchinson. I cannot send itemized reports of other points, because they are not organized as Parishes.

I would say, that in addition to work at Hutchinson, services have been held as often as possible in Great Bend, Barton county; Sterling, Rice county; Nickerson, Reno county, and Kingman, Kingman county.

People here are suffering very much in consequence of the drouth, and Church work will be done under great difficulties, for this year at least. Each point has some little Church property; that at Sterling is valued at \$225, and they have paid very near \$200 for Missionary expenses. Church lots at Kingman are valued at \$125.

Believe me, yours obediently,

JAMES NEWMAN, *Miss. in Charge.*

Hutchinson, July 9, 1880.

REV. DR. REYNOLDS.

Post Chaplain, United States Army, Fort Riley.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop:

I have the honor to report that I have continued my duties at this Post during the past year, with but very few interruptions. In addition to my Sunday services in the Garrison Chapel, I have performed the other duties of my office without "let or hindrance."

Fort Riley, June 30, 1880.

REV. JOHN WOART,

Post Chaplain, United States Army, Fort Leavenworth.

I would respectfully report to the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, that the past conventional year has been spent by me, at this military post, in the discharge of ministerial duties. I have, occasionally, officiated at places in the Diocese of Missouri, within twenty miles of my Post, and, likewise, at a town in Jackson county, in this Diocese, fifty miles from Leavenworth.

At my Post eight children have been baptised, and one adult. One person has been confirmed. There have been five funerals. I have performed the marriage service three times. The Lord's Supper has been administered on the first Sunday of every month, the number of recipients varying from ten to fifteen. During the season of Lent, Divine service was held on Wednesday and Friday of every week. On Christmas, and at Easter, our Chapel was very beautifully decorated.

I refer, with grateful pleasure, to the excellent attendance at our Chapel services. May our Heavenly Father "put away from us all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us!"

APPENDIX C.

REPORT OF

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

BISHOP VAIL, TREASURER, in account with Contributors to Diocesan Missions.

1879-80.	Dr.	
To balance on hand, as per last annual report in Journal of 1879.....	\$233	97
To cash from Grace Cathedral Church, Topeka.....	113	84
To cash from St. John's Church, Wakefield and Clay county.....	55	04
To cash from Mrs. E. E. Amsden, Farmersburg, Chautauqua county.....	50	00
To cash from Trinity Church, Atchison.....	47	17
To cash from missions in Marshall county.....	25	00
To cash from Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	19	00
To cash from Church of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa.....	17	83
To cash from St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons.....	17	20
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	13	02
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	12	43
To cash from St. John's Church, Wichita.....	11	05
To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	11	01
To cash from Christ Church, Salina.....	11	00
To cash from Church of the Messiah, Council Grove.....	10	00
To cash from Grace Church, Hutchinson.....	9	50
To cash from Christ Church, Beloit.....	7	57
To cash from St. John's Church, Girard.....	4	61
To cash from St. Barnabas Church, Williamsburg.....	4	25
To cash from Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	4	00
To cash from Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	4	00
To cash from Mission, Sterling.....	4	00
To cash from Church of St. Paul, Leavenworth.....	3	65
To cash from Mission, White City.....	3	61
To cash from Mission, Mitchell county.....	3	41
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville.....	3	33
To cash from St. Timothy's Mission, Iola.....	3	00
To cash from Church of the Epiphany, Independence.....	1	98
To cash from St. Paul's Church, Wyandotte.....	1	67
To cash from St. Peter's Church, Osage Mission.....	1	55
Total.....	\$707	69
Amount actually received since last Convention.....	\$473	72

1879-80.	Cr.	
By cash paid Rev. Paul Ziegler, Missionary trips to Ottawa, in '78 and '79....	\$	4 20
By cash paid Rev. George W. Morrill, Missionary to Beloit.....	125	00
By cash paid Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary in Marshall county.....	87	50
By cash paid Rev. Wm. H. Hickcox, Missionary in Clay county.....	100	00
By cash paid Rev. Wm. Horsfall, Missionary in Cherokee county, toward horse, as per order.....	50	00
By cash paid Rev. Charles Holmes, Missionary trips to Beloit.....	16	30
By cash paid Rev. Thomas Burrows, Missionary trips in Morris and Greenwood counties.....	25	00
By balance in Treasurer's hands.....	229	69
Total.....	\$707	69
Amount actually expended since last Convention.....	\$408	

APPENDIX D.

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APPENDIX E.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. FARNSWORTH, TREASURER, *In account with Parochial Assessment for Support of Episcopate.*

1879.	Receipts.	Dr.	1879.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 3	To cash balance in treasury	\$288 20	June 3	By over credit to Grace Church, Topeka	\$1 00
June 4	" " E. W. Spencer, Council Grove, for 1878-9	1 00	June 3	By paid Bishop Vall	344 20
June 4	" " Epiphany Church, Independence	10 00	June 19	By paid Bishop Vall	4 50
June 4	" " St. George's Church, Victoria	17 00	July 22	By paid Bishop Vall	50
June 4	" " St. John's Memorial Church, Parsons	8 00	Oct. 3	By paid Bishop Vall	19 50
June 4	" " St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott	10 00	Nov. 12	By paid Bishop Vall	3 00
June 4	" " St. John's Church, Wakefield	11 00	Nov. 20	By paid Bishop Vall	7 00
June 19	" " St. James Mission, Pottawatomie county	4 50	Nov. 20	By paid Bishop Vall	4 50
July 16	" " Grace Church, Topeka	7 00	1880.		
Sept. 16	" " Christ's Church, Salina	12 50	Jan. 19	By paid Bishop Vall	51 00
Oct. 3	" " Marshall Co. Mission, from Rev. C. Holmes	3 00	April 1	By paid Bishop Vall	47 45
Nov. 12	" " from Cedar Vale, per Rev. H. S. Attwater	4 00	April 17	By paid Bishop Vall	5 90
Nov. 20	" " Trinity Church, Irving	1 00	April 29	By paid Bishop Vall	82 50
Nov. 20	" " Trinity Church, Blue Rapids	2 00	May 17	By paid Bishop Vall	6 50
Nov. 20	" " Cedar Vale Mission	4 50	May 18	By paid Bishop Vall	21 00
1880.			May 22	By paid Bishop Vall	20 00
Jan. 19	To cash Emmanuel Church, Humboldt, per G. Searle	4 50	June 7	By paid Bishop Vall	20 00
Feb. 27	" " Trinity Church, Lawrence	50 00	June 29	By paid Bishop Vall, by G. P. Comings	17 00
April 1	" " " "	20 05	June 30	By balance cash on hand	222 00
April 1	" " Grace Cathedral, Topeka	1 00	Total		\$857 55
April 3	" " Christ's Church, Salina	13 00			
April 17	" " Ascension Church, Burlington	14 40			
April 24	" " Henry Booth, Larned	5 00			
April 25	" " Christ's Church, Salina	5 00			

April 29	To cash	Church of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa	5 90
May 14	"	" Grace Cathedral, Topeka	72 50
May 18	"	" St. Timothy's Mission, Iola	5 00
May 18	"	" Trinity Mission, Irving	1 50
May 22	"	" St. John's Church, Wakefield	20 00
May 22	"	" R. P. Kendall, Beloit	1 00
June 4	"	" St. Andrew's Church, Emporia	14 50
June 4	"	" B. B. Guldge, White City	1 00
June 4	"	" Mrs. A. Mosler, Council Grove	1 50
June 7	"	" Epiphany Church, Independence	10 00
June 7	"	" St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville	10 00
June 9	"	" Church of the Covenant, Junction City	11 00
June 28	"	" St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott	15 00
June 29	"	" Emmanuel Church, Monmouth	11 50
June 29	"	" Trinity Church, Atchison	57 50
June 29	"	" St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth	18 00
June 29	"	" Church of the Holy Comforter, Ottawa	2 00
June 29	"	" St. Timothy's Church, Iola	6 00
June 29	"	" St. Bernard Mission, Williamsburg	6 50
June 29	"	" St. Paul's Church, Manhattan	21 00
June 29	"	" Trinity Church, Lawrence	34 00
June 29	"	" St. John's Church, Wakefield	3 00
June 29	"	" St. John's Church, Girard	17 00
June 30	"	" St. John's Church, Parsons	8 50
June 30	"	" St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth	2 00
June 30	"	" Grace Church, Hutchinson	10 00
June 30	"	Total	\$857 55

J. W. FAIRNSWORTH, TREASURER. *In account with the Convention of the Diocese of Kansas.*

1879.	Receipts.	Dr.	1879.	Disbursements.	Cr.
June 3	To cash balance in treasury.....	\$180 28	June 3	By over credit to Grace Church, Topeka.....	\$1 00
June 4	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	3 75	June 7	By paid Lawrence Journal Co. for printing 1,000 cir- culars (1879), per F. E. Stimpson.....	6 00
June 4	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	5 00	June 7	By postage on same, per F. E. Stimpson.....	1 25
June 4	To cash Epiphany Church, Independence.....	16 00	Aug. 6	By paid Bishop Vail, per order of Committee.....	4 00
June 28	To cash St. John's Church, Wichita.....	2 00	Aug. 6	By paid F. P. Baker & Sons on printing Journal.....	60 00
1880.			Aug. 11	By paid F. P. Baker & Sons on printing Journal.....	100 00
April 1	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	2 45	Aug. 12	By paid Bishop Vail cost of sending out Journal.....	7 70
April 3	To cash Christ's Church, Salina.....	6 00	1880.		
April 29	To cash St. John's Church, Leavenworth.....	3 10	May 1	By paid Rev. Thos. Burrows printing Lenten circu- lars (1880), for Bishop's salary, and postage.....	7 50
May 22	To cash St. John's Church, Wakefield.....	5 00	June 30	By balance cash on hand.....	202 23
June 7	To cash Epiphany Church, Coffeyville.....	5 00		Total.....	\$389 48
June 9	To cash St. Paul's Church, Coffeyville.....	10 00			
June 21	To cash Church of the Covenant, Junction City.....	10 00			
June 25	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Emporia.....	32 00			
June 28	To cash Grace Cathedral, Topeka.....	16 00			
June 29	To cash St. Andrew's Church, Fort Scott.....	2 50			
June 29	To cash Emmanuel Church, Monmouth.....	32 00			
June 29	To cash St. Paul's Church, Leavenworth.....	12 00			
June 29	To cash St. Paul's Church, Manhattan.....	10 00			
June 29	To cash Church of the Ascension, Burlington.....	9 00			
June 29	To cash Trinity Church, Lawrence.....	8 50			
June 29	To cash St. John's Church, Girard.....	5 00			
June 30	To cash St. John's Church, Parsons.....	8 00			
	Total.....	\$389 48			

APPENDIX F.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct. They recommend the following assessments for the ensuing year and call attention to the amounts due for past years.

CONVENTION ASSESSMENT.	1879.	1880.	1881.	Total.
Abilene, St. John's.....	\$5 00	\$5 00	\$5 00	\$15 00
Atchison, Trinity.....			32 00	32 00
Beloit.....		5 00	5 00	10 00
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's.....	8 00	3 00	3 00	14 00
Burlington, Ascension.....	10 00	10 00	10 00	30 00
Center Township, Zion.....	3 00	3 00	3 00	9 00
Council Grove, Messiah.....		5 00	5 00	10 00
Coffeyville, St. Paul's.....			5 00	5 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's.....			10 00	10 00
Fort Leavenworth Post.....			5 00	5 00
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's.....	5 00	21 00	21 00	47 00
Girard, St. John's.....			5 00	5 00
Independence, Epiphany.....			5 00	5 00
Junction City, Covenant.....			10 00	10 00
Leavenworth, St. Paul's.....		20 00	32 00	52 00
Lawrence, Trinity.....		4 05	15 00	19 05
Manhattan, St. Paul's.....			10 00	10 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel.....		2 50	5 00	7 50
Newton, St. Matthew's.....		3 00	3 00	6 00
Osage Mission, St. Peter's.....		3 00	3 00	6 00
Parsons, St. John's Memorial.....		5 00	8 00	13 00
Salina, Christ's.....		8 25	10 00	18 25
Topeka, Grace.....			32 00	32 00
Victoria, St. George.....		4 00	4 00	8 00
Wakefield, St. John's.....			5 00	5 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's.....		5 00	5 00	10 00
Wichita, St. John's.....		3 00	5 00	8 00
Hutchinson.....			5 00	5 00
Sterling.....			5 00	5 00
Hiawatha.....			5 00	5 00
Troy.....			5 00	5 00
Baxter Springs.....			5 00	5 00
Galena.....			5 00	5 00
Columbus.....			2 00	2 00
Winfield.....			10 00	10 00
Eureka.....			5 00	5 00
Total.....	\$26 60	\$109 30	\$258 00	\$343 30

BISHOP'S SALARY.	1879.	1880.	1881.	Total.
Abilene, St. John's.....		\$8 00	\$8 00	\$16 00
Atchison, Trinity.....			76 00	76 00
Blue Rapids, St. Mark's.....	\$6 00	5 50	5 50	17 00
Beloit.....		9 00	10 00	19 00
Burlington, Ascension.....			13 00	13 00
Coffeyville, St. Paul's.....			10 00	10 00
Council Grove, Messiah.....			7 50	7 50
Cedar Vale, Mission.....			3 50	3 50
Center Township, Zion.....		16 50	15 00	31 50
Ellsworth, Holy Apostles.....		8 00	8 00	16 00
Emporia, St. Andrew's.....			13 50	13 50
Fort Scott, St. Andrew's.....		15 00	23 50	38 50
Girard, St. John's.....			20 00	20 00
Amount forward.....	\$6 00	\$62 00	\$214 50	\$281 50

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE—Continued.

BISHOP'S SALARY.	1879.	1880.	1881.	Total.
<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$6 00	\$62 00	\$214 50	\$281 50
Independence, Epiphany.....			9 50	9 50
Iola, St. Timothy.....			10 00	10 00
Irving, Trinity.....	1 50	3 00	3 00	7 50
Junction City, Covenant.....			20 00	20 00
Leavenworth, St. Paul's.....		22 00	53 50	75 50
Lawrence, Trinity.....		25 50	35 00	60 50
Manhattan, St. Paul's.....			31 00	31 00
Monmouth, Emmanuel.....			12 50	12 50
Newton, St. Matthew.....		7 00	7 00	14 00
Netawaka, Christ.....		5 00	5 00	10 00
Oskaloosa, St. Mark's.....	6 00	3 50	3 50	13 00
Osage Mission, St. Peter's.....	50	4 00	4 00	8 50
Ottawa, Holy Comforter.....			15 00	15 00
Parsons, St. John's.....		4 50	18 00	22 50
Salina, Christ's.....		11 00	25 00	36 00
Topeka, Grace.....			65 00	65 00
Victoria, St. George.....			10 00	10 00
Wakefield, St. John's.....			32 50	32 50
Wamego, St. Luke's.....			8 00	8 00
Witchita, St. John's.....		15 00	15 00	30 00
Wyandotte, St. Paul's.....		20 50	15 00	35 50
Baxter Springs.....			10 00	10 00
Galena.....			7 50	7 50
Columbus.....			8 50	8 50
Total.....	\$14 00	\$183 00	\$637 00	\$834 00

Respectfully submitted.

F. O. OSBORNE.
 FRED. E. STIMPSON.
 J. JAY BUCK.

APPENDIX G.

Constitution, Canons, Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Diocese of Kansas.

JULY, 1880.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, accedes to the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE II.

Annual Convention.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the last Wednesday in June, annually, at such place as the preceeding Annual Convention shall have appointed.

SEC. 2. In case of the prevalence of an epidemic disease at the time or place previously appointed, the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may appoint such other time and place as may seem expedient. And special meetings of the Convention may be called by the ecclesiastical authority, whenever, in the judgment of the same, the good of the Church shall require. Provided, that, in either of these cases, notice shall be given by the ecclesiastical authority to every Clergyman, and the Vestry of every parish in union with this Convention, at least thirty days before the time of meeting. And, provided, that no business shall be done at any special Convention, other than that specified in the notice calling such Convention.

SEC. 3. The presence of at least one fourth of the Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of delegates from at least one-fourth of the parishes in union with the Convention, shall be necessary to the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

ARTICLE III.

Members of Convention.

SECTION 1. The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SEC. 2. The Bishop, and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, shall have a seat and a vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Church, canonically resident in the Diocese, being a minister in charge of a congregation in union with the Convention, or an assistant minister duly elected, or being a minister employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or, being permanently engaged as a Teacher, or Professor, or Principal, or Chaplain, in any literary or benevolent or public institution, and also actually resident in the Diocese, and officiating in the same in his ministry, to the satisfaction of the ecclesiastical authority, for three months next preceding the Convention; or, being a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States—shall be entitled to a seat and a vote in this Convention. Every other clergyman, canonically a resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to a seat, but not to a vote, in this Convention. And no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat or a vote in this Convention, shall be deprived of the same on account of temporary absence, or on account of old age, or of physical infirmity, disqualifying him for the performance of his official duties.

SEC. 3. Every parish in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, not exceeding three, to be chosen by the parish at its annual meeting, or, in default of such election, by the vestry; a certificate of whose appointment, signed by the wardens or clerk of the parish or of the vestry, or by the minister of the parish or station, shall, before his or their admission, be laid before the Convention; but any parish neglecting or refusing, for two successive years, to pay its assessments, shall not be entitled to a representation in the Convention until such assessments are paid, unless for a good cause exonerated by a vote of the Convention. The delegation from each parish represented, shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to but one vote.

SEC. 4. In all questions or appeals touching the right of any person to a seat or vote, the Convention itself shall decide.

ARTICLE IV.

President of the Convention.

SECTION 1. The Bishop, or in his absence, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, or the Bishop in charge of the Diocese, shall be, *ex officio*, President of the Convention. In his absence, or in a vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, or, in his absence, the senior Presbyter present, shall call the Convention to order, and preside *pro tempore*, until the Committee on the

qualifications of members shall have reported, and the roll of persons entitled to seats shall have been called, when the Convention shall choose a President from the Presbyters of the Diocese present.

SEC. 2. Each daily session of the Convention shall be opened with the Morning Prayer; and at the opening of the Convention the Lord's Supper shall also be administered, and a sermon shall be preached by some clergyman appointed by the Bishop, when the Bishop himself does not deliver a sermon or charge. In the case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall take order for the opening services, and shall appoint the preacher. Episcopal charges delivered before the Convention, shall be published by the Convention without any motion to that effect.

ARTICLE V.

Business of the Convention.

The Clergy and Lay delegates shall deliberate as one body, and vote as such, except when a division by orders is called for by two clerical members, or by the lay delegations from two parishes represented. When a division is called for, a concurrence of a majority of both orders present, shall be necessary to decide any question. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

Election of Secretary.

Immediately upon the organization of the Annual Convention, a Secretary shall be chosen from among the clerical members thereof, after a *viva voce* nomination, who shall continue in office until a successor shall be appointed, and who shall have power to appoint an assistant. It shall be his duty to take minutes of the proceedings, and to enter them when approved in a proper book, to preserve the journal and records, to attest the acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers in his possession by virtue of his office, all which are the property of the Convention. And it shall also be his duty to notify the time and place of the next Annual Convention, or of any Special Convention, when requested so to do by the ecclesiastical authority.

ARTICLE VII.

Election of Treasurer.

SECTION 1. At each Annual Convention a Treasurer shall be appointed, who shall continue in office through the year, and until a successor shall be appointed. He shall give to the President of the Standing Committee, satisfactory security for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, and shall report to each Annual Convention a statement, to be audited by a committee of that body, of all moneys received and disbursed by him during the preceding year,

and of all moneys and other property belonging to the Diocese which may be in his possession.

SEC. 2. No moneys shall be disbursed by the Treasurer, except by order of the Convention, signed by the Secretary, or by order of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, signed by the Secretary of said Committee.

SEC. 3. In case of death, resignation, removal from the Diocese, or other disability of the Treasurer, the Standing Committee shall appoint in his stead a Treasurer, to whom all funds, books and papers in the hands of the late Treasurer, by virtue of his office, all which are the property of the Diocese, shall be delivered, and who shall continue in office until the next Annual Convention, or until a successor shall be appointed.

ARTICLE VIII.

Election of Diocesan Registrar.

At each Annual Convention a Registrar shall be appointed who shall continue in office until his successor shall be chosen, whose duty it shall be to procure such papers, files, reports, journals, records, letters, and other documents, printed or manuscript, relative to the history of the Church in this Diocese, as are now, or may hereafter become, the property of this Convention, and to preserve the same in some safe and accessible place of deposit; and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as this Convention may from time to time prescribe.

ARTICLE IX.

Election of Standing Committee.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committee, to consist of four Presbyters and four Communicants of the Diocese, shall be chosen annually, each order choosing its own members, subject to the approval of the other order. At their first meeting, which shall be as soon as convenient after their election, they shall appoint a President from among the clerical members. At the same meeting they shall elect also a Secretary, who shall keep a record of their proceedings, in a book provided for the purpose, attest the acts of the Committee, preserve the original of all papers and letters addressed to the Committee, and in due time deliver to his successor all books and papers which, being in his possession, by virtue of his office, are the property of the Committee.

SEC. 2. The minutes and papers of the Committee shall be open to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention.

SEC. 3. The Committee shall have power to supply vacancies which may occur in their Body during the recess of the Convention.

SEC. 4. Any five members of the Committee, the whole having been duly summoned, shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as by their own rules, or by the laws of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

The Committee shall, on the requisition of the Bishop, be summoned as a Council of Advice, by the President, or in case of his inability to act, through absence or sickness, by the Secretary.

Special meetings may be called by the President, or by the Secretary, at the request of the Bishop.

ARTICLE X.

Election of Deputies to General Convention.

SECTION 1. At every Annual Convention next preceding the regular Triennial meeting of the General Convention, four Clerical Deputies, and four Lay Deputies, who shall be communicants of this Church, shall be elected to represent this Diocese in the General Convention, each order choosing its own representatives by ballot, subject to the approval of the other order. The Convention shall also elect, in like manner, the same number of Supplementary Deputies of each order, to serve as Deputies contingently. These Deputies and Supplementary Deputies shall continue in office for three years, or until successors shall be elected.

SEC. 2. In case of resignation, or inability to perform the duties of the appointment, on the part of any deputies, notice to this effect shall be given by them, in writing, to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, if possible, one month before the meeting of the General Convention. The Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall thereupon designate such and so many of the Supplementary Deputies as shall be necessary to secure a full representation of the Diocese, and the persons so designated shall have all the power and authority of Deputies duly elected by this Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

Election of Bishop.

SECTION 1. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention, or in a special Convention called for the purpose, by the Standing Committee, at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every Clergyman and Vestry of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. The election shall be by ballot; each order voting separately, and each parish being entitled to but one vote, as in the case of a division by orders, and the concurrence of a majority of both orders present, shall be necessary to a choice: *Provided*, That two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present at the Convention, and two-thirds of all the congregations entitled to vote be represented at the Convention; and, *Provided*, That if a less number than two-thirds of either order be present at the Convention, then two-thirds of those present of that order, shall be necessary to constitute the choice of that order.

ARTICLE XII.

Admission of Parishes.

New parishes may be admitted into union with this Convention, on motion, by a majority of votes: *Provided*, That they shall have laid before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the wardens, or by the clerk, that they accede to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and that they are duly organized according to the Articles of Associations adopted by this Convention, and that said articles have been signed by at least five men not under twenty-one years of age, and that the parish has been duly incorporated in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of Vacant Parishes.

SECTION 1. On the organization of any new parish in this Diocese, or on the occurrence of a vacancy in the ministry of any existing parish, it shall be the duty of the Wardens, or other officers of such parish, to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop; and, until provision be made for the regular supply of such parish, the Bishop may cause it to be supplied as frequently as convenient, at his discretion, by missionary services, or by the Clergy of the other parishes, officiating, by his direction, in such order of rotation as he may judge practicable.

SEC. 2. In order to maintain public worship in vacant parishes, the Bishop may, on the recommendation of the Vestry, appoint lay readers, who shall be either candidates for orders or other laymen of exemplary character for morals and piety, and who, under the direction of the Bishop, or, if it be not convenient for the Bishop to direct in the matter, under the direction of some Clergyman of the Diocese whom he may appoint, may, on any Sunday, or other proper occasion, read the service of the Church, and a sermon from the works of some approved divine.

ARTICLE XIV.

Rights of the Clergy.

No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto in the way provided for, by the Canons of this Diocese.

ARTICLE XV.

Rights of the Laity.

A communicant repelled by the ministry from the Holy Communion, may appeal to the Bishop, and if the Bishop, after consideration of the case as presented by the minister and the person repelled, does not see fit to restore him, he may demand a further inquiry, upon which the Bishop shall appoint two Presbyters and two laymen, who shall make inquiry into the truth of the facts

alleged, and shall report thereof, stating their own opinion of the case, to the Bishop, who shall thereupon make a final decision in the case.

ARTICLE XVI.

Mode of Altering the Constitution.

This Constitution may be altered in the manner following: The proposed amendment, in writing, shall be offered at an Annual Convention, and, if on motion, approved by a majority, shall lie over till the next following Annual Convention, when, on motion, it may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds, on a division by orders.

CANONS.

CANON I.

List of the Clergy.

On, or before, the day appointed for the opening of the Convention, the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee, shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all ministers canonically or actually resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, parishes or missionary stations, or of the institutions in which they are engaged; but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. The list thus made, shall designate such as are entitled to a seat and to a vote in the Convention, and such as are entitled to a seat and not to a vote in the Convention, and shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary immediately after the Convention shall have been called to order; and the names of the clerical members shall be called therefrom. The same shall be inserted in the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

CANON II.

Attendance at the Convention.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of all Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every Church or congregation in union with the Convention, to send to the same, one or more lay delegates, not exceeding three, who shall be baptized persons, and shall be chosen by the parish to be represented, or by its Vestry; but no candidate for Holy Orders, of this or any other Diocese, shall be eligible to represent a parish. Evidence of the election of lay delegates shall be a certificate signed by the Clerk of the Parish or of the Vestry, or by the Wardens, or by the Minister, in substance, as follows:

This is to certify that, at the Annual Meeting of the Parish (or at a meeting of the Vestry) of ——— Church, in ———, held on the — day of —, A. B., who is a baptized person, and a member of the said parish, was appointed a Lay Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be holden at ———, on the — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

(Signed), _____.

SEC. 2. Whenever any Church in union with this Convention, shall neglect for three years in succession, to make a parochial report, and shall not during the same period, have employed a clergyman as its parish minister, nor requested of the ecclesiastical authority to have the services of a missionary or lay reader, such Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its connection with the Convention, and shall no longer have the right to send a delegation to the same. The Bishop shall report such Church to the Convention in his Annual Address. Such Church, however, may be readmitted upon application to the Convention, accompanied by a report of its condition, and on such terms as shall appear just to the Convention.

CANON III.

Parochial Registrars and Reports.

SECTION 1. It is hereby required that every Minister of this Church shall carefully prepare, and keep, a Parochial Register, such as is described and ordered in Title I, Canon XII, Section V, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. Every Minister of this Church, or if a parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a Parochial Report such as is described and ordered in Title I, Canon 15, Section 1, of the aforesaid Digest.

CANON IV.

Election and Duties of Wardens and Vestries.

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday of each year, there shall be in each parish an election of a Vestry, to consist of two Church Wardens, who shall, whenever practicable, be communicants, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall be of the male electors in the parish.

In case there be no meeting, or no election, on the day above named, the Rector, the Warden, or any five electors, may call a parish meeting for such election, notice of which meeting shall be given at a public service on the Lord's Day, or by three written notices of the same, posted in the town or city, for at least three successive

days, one of which notices shall be posted on the door of the Church or place for holding public services; and until a new Vestry is elected, the existing Wardens and Vestry shall continue in office.

The electors shall be communicants of the parish, and also members of the congregation who have attained their majority, and who have been, except in the case of the organization of a parish, and at the first election, regular or habitual attendants upon the public worship and services of the Church, for at least three months preceding the election, and who, during the year preceding, have contributed to the support of the same. Only the electors present at any meeting shall vote, and no proxies shall be received. If any question shall arise as to the right of any person to vote as a communicant, the Rector, if there be one, or in his absence, or in a vacancy in the Rectorship, the Wardens, shall decide it; and as to the right of any person not a communicant, the existing Vestry shall decide it. No person shall be counted as a communicant, until he or she has actually communicated in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Other qualifications, not inconsistent with this section, may be prescribed by the several parishes, and this Canon shall not affect the existing rules of parishes already received into union with this Convention, under special constitutions.

SEC. 2. At their first meeting, the Vestry shall appoint a clerk, whose duty it shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Vestry, and to record them in a book, and to do such other acts as usually belong to the clerks of corporations. They shall also elect, if the parish have failed to do so at the Annual Meeting, a Senior and a Junior Warden. In all Vestries into which less than five Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or, in his absence, one of the Wardens, in the order of seniority, shall preside. In all Vestries into which five or more Vestrymen have been elected, the Rector, or in his absence, a Warden, or in the absence of both Rector and Wardens, a chairman *pro tem.*, elected by the body, shall preside.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to elect the Rector, to fill vacancies in their own number, to take charge of the property, and to transact the temporal business of the parish, and to discharge, in the absence of the Wardens, the special duties of those officers.

It shall also be the duty of the Vestry to make a report to the annual parish meeting, giving a statement of the receipts and expenditures of all moneys subject to their direction, during the preceding year, and also presenting such other matters, in relation to the general welfare and condition of the parish, as they think proper.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Wardens to take charge of the communion-plate, books, and vestments of the parish, and keep them in proper condition for the decent celebration of public worship, to provide the elements for the Holy Communion, to collect the alms of the congregation and present them to the minister, to supply temporary religious services when there is no Rector, to see

that order and decorum are observed during the public worship, and to act, at the request of the Rector, as his council of advice, and to assist him in discharging the discipline and duties of his office.

SEC. 5. Whenever the term Rector is used, in this or any other Canon of this Diocese, it is to be understood of any minister duly elected or appointed to the charge of a parish.

CANON V.

Conventional Assessments.

It shall be the duty of Rectors, Church Wardens and Vestries, to see that the amount assessed upon their respective parishes by the Convention, for incidental expenses, and other Church purposes, authorized and directed by the Convention, be regularly and promptly collected and transmitted to the Treasurer, so as to be included in his Annual Report.

CANON VI.

Canon Relating to the Cathedral.

SECTION 1. The Convention of the Diocese, acknowledging primitive usage, admitting the See City to be a necessary element in Diocesan Episcopacy, and, believing the Cathedral therein to be an essential organ of the Bishop, for the reality of his office and the discharge of his duties, hereby recognizes the idea and the fact of the Cathedral in the See City, as a proper prerogative of the Bishop, and establishes "the Cathedral Chapter of the Diocese of Kansas."

SEC. 2. The Chapter shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall be President and head of the Chapter, *ex officio*; a Dean, appointed by the Bishop, who shall be a presbyter of the Diocese and Rector of the congregation connected with the Cathedral; one Canon, who shall be the chaplain of the College of the Sisters of Bethany; one or more Canons, nominated by the Bishop and Dean, and appointed by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, residing in the Cathedral or See City, and assisting in the work and services of the Cathedral; one or more Canons, who shall be the Rector or Rectors of any Church or Churches hereafter to be organized in the Cathedral City, and one layman from each of such parishes to be hereafter organized in the Cathedral City, who shall be annually elected, in Easter week, by such parish, or, in default of the action of the parish, by the newly elected Wardens and Vestry of the same; four honorary Canons, who shall also be presbyters of the Diocese, elected by the Convention on nomination by the Bishop, one of whom shall retire annually, the order of retirement of those first chosen to be determined by lot; one Clerical Chancellor, who shall be, next to the Bishop, at the head of the Theological School of the Diocese; one Lay Chancellor, who shall be learned in the law, and the legal adviser of the Bishop, of the Cathedral Chapter and of the Diocese, and be appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years;

one Treasurer, appointed by the Bishop, whose term of office shall be four years; two clerical and two lay members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, elected by said Standing Committee; the Treasurer of the Diocese; the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese; the Registrar of the Diocese; two clerical and two lay members of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese, elected by the said Missionary Committee; two laymen, who shall be annually elected, in the first week in September, by the Vestry of the Cathedral Church, from their own number; and the Clerk of the Chapter.

Seven members, after due notification to all, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A less number may adjourn to a given time, or *sine die*.

SEC. 3. The Chapter shall be incorporated, and shall have power to make its own statutes, which shall be made known to, and approved by, the Convention of the Diocese.

SEC. 4. The Congregation of the Cathedral shall be a parish, with the usual parochial organization, and with all the rights and privileges of any parish: *Provided*, That the Bishop shall have the right of nomination to the Vestry of the Rector, on such terms as the Bishop and Vestry agree upon, and shall enjoy such other rights and privileges as are proper for him in the Cathedral, and as are secured to him in the agreement between him and the Vestry of said Cathedral Church.

SEC. 5. Grace Church, in the See City of Topeka, is hereby adopted and constituted the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Kansas.

MISSIONS IN THE CATHEDRAL OR SEE CITY.

SECTION 1. The Cathedral Chapter shall be the Board of Missions for the Cathedral or See City.

SEC. 2. No missionary shall be appointed by the Board, unless he shall first have been nominated by the Bishop.

SEC. 3. The Treasurer of the Cathedral Chapter shall be the Treasurer of Missions in the See City.

CANON VII.

Of Missions not fully Organized as Parishes.

Persons desirous of the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church in any town, city, or rural neighborhood, in the State of Kansas, may make application to the Bishop to be organized as a mission. The following shall be the mode of procedure with the form and obligation:

Reverend Father in God, We, the undersigned, residents of ———, county of ———, desirous of obtaining the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and ready, according to our ability, to sustain the same, do hereby ask you to appoint a Mission at this place, and to provide for public services as you may deem expedient.

We agree to put ourselves under your charge, promising conformity to the doctrine, discipline and worship of said Church, to the Constitution and Canons of the same, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Kansas.

Furthermore, we contract and agree to raise among ourselves, and pay to the Treasurer of the Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Kansas, every year, such contribution as may be assumed by us as our *minimum* toward the stated salary of the missionary who may be sent to us. And we now agree, for the first year, to pay in quarterly installments the amount, at least of — dollars.

This application shall be signed by all of legal age who propose to become members of the Mission.

If the Bishop consent to the above request, he shall appoint the following officers for the first year, and after that, annually, in Easter week: Two Church Wardens, one or more Vestrymen, a Treasurer and a Clerk.

The Missionary shall be appointed by the Bishop, and, when receiving aid from the missionary funds of the Diocese, shall be confirmed by the Executive Missionary Committee.

DUTIES OF THE WARDENS, TREASURER AND CLERK.

The duties of the Wardens shall be the same as the Wardens of parishes as specified in Section 4, Canon IV, of the Diocese of Kansas. In the absence of the Missionary the Senior Warden shall be the presiding officer.

The duty of the Treasurer shall be to collect, or receive, all money contributed by the Mission, and to remit or disburse them in accordance with the rules of the Executive Missionary Committee.

The duty of the Clerk shall be to keep a record of meetings and events of importance to the Mission, and a list of its families and members; to have the custody of the register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, etc., if the Missionary be non-resident. But he shall make no entries therein, unless requested so to do by the Missionary or Wardens. He shall attend, promptly, to any correspondence required by, or for the Mission.

Realty, or other property donated to, or purchased by, the Mission, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, and his successors in office, to be held in trust until a parish is organized within the corporate limits of the Mission.

Whenever a Mission Station, thus organized, shall number twenty or more actual communicants, and shall raise \$300 for the support of a Rector, then the said Mission shall be authorized to organize as an independent parish.

The Mission, duly organized, shall report at the time of the Annual Convention, through the Missionary, or if there be no Missionary in charge, through its Lay Reader, or through the Clerk of the Mission.

Each Mission shall be entitled to send one lay delegate to every Diocesan Convention of the Diocese, to be elected in accordance with Sec. 3, Art. III, of the Constitution; said delegate shall have a seat and a voice in Convention, but shall not be entitled to vote, except when the vote is taken *viva voce*.

CANON VIII.

Trustees of Church Property.

At every annual convention next following the regular Triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Board of Trustees of Church Property, to consist of two presbyters and four laymen who shall be communicants, shall be chosen, whose duty it shall be, when incorporated, to hold in trust, the title of any church buildings, parsonages or other church property, which may be placed in its hands. Said Board shall be entitled "The Trustees of Church Property of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kansas," and shall be legally incorporated under the general statutes of the State of Kansas. It shall make an annual report to the convention, with an itemized statement of the property held by it. In the interim between the annual conventions, it shall fill any vacancies that may occur in its membership, and any person so elected to fill a vacancy shall continue in office until the annual convention next following. If the next following annual convention shall neglect to fill the vacancy, the person so elected by the Board shall remain in office until the next regular Triennial election.

CANON IX.

Trial of a Clergyman.

SECTION 1. If any minister of this Church have committed offenses for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, or if he be accused, by public rumor, of such offenses, a formal complaint in writing, stating the offenses charged, may be made to the Bishop, by any three communicants of this Church, one of whom, at least, shall be a Presbyter.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall thereupon institute an enquiry, as to the truth of the charges made, and if, upon such enquiry, there be *prima facie* evidence against the accused, he shall report the facts to the Standing Committee, who shall thereupon make further enquiry, and if they deem the charges well founded, shall present said Clergyman to the Bishop for trial. In the presentment, which shall be written, the charges shall be distinct and definite, and under each separate charge, the specifications of particular acts shall be made clear and exact, as to time, place and circumstances of the offenses charged.

SEC. 3. The presentment being received, the Bishop shall carefully consider it, and, if he deem the offenses charged, or any of the offenses charged, as not coming within the intention of the Canon of

the General Convention, which defines the offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, he shall return the presentment, or that part of it to which he finds objection, to the Standing Committee, stating to them, in writing, his reasons for so doing; whereupon, if the Standing Committee shall concur with him in his action, they shall communicate to him, in writing, their concurrence, and the presentment, or that part of it in the objection to which they concur, shall be dismissed, and the accused shall be notified of the result. But, if the Standing Committee do not concur with the Bishop in his action, they shall so inform him in writing, and may thereupon renew the presentment, or that part of it in the objection to which they do not concur, in which case the accused shall be tried as presented.

SEC. 4. The Bishop may, if he deem it proper, prohibit the accused from the exercise of his ministry, during the period between his final reception of the presentment, and the acquittal certified, or the sentence pronounced by him, after the judgment of the Court upon the trial. And, during the same period, he may appoint or authorize other clergymen to exercise ministerial duties in the parish where the accused was officiating. But such prohibition shall not, during the time of its continuance, affect the Rectorial relations of the accused, if he be settled in a parish, except in acts ministerial and pastoral.

SEC. 5. Upon the renewal of the presentment, in whole or in part, as the case may be, or, if upon first receiving it, he shall deem the offenses charged to be such as are contemplated in the Canon aforesaid, the Bishop shall appoint a time, and a place, as near as convenient to the place where the offenses charged are alleged to have been committed, for the trial, and shall select and summon a Board of four Presbyters, none of whom shall be members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the judges both of the law and the facts; and he shall, at least seventy days before the time appointed for the trial, inform the Standing Committee of his action in these particulars. He shall, at least six weeks before the time appointed for the trial, furnish the names of the Board to the accused, who shall have the right, at any time prior to three weeks before the day fixed for the trial, to peremptorily challenge two of them, and also to challenge any member of the Court who may have formed, or expressed against the accused, an opinion, as to the facts charged in the presentment, of such prejudice as to disqualify him from acting impartially as a member of the Court; and, in the case of the exercise of this right by the accused, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters in the place of those challenged, and these second appointees shall not be subject to challenge, except for prejudice. The Board will then be ready to be organized as a Court. When any member of the Court is challenged for cause, as having

formed, or expressed, a prejudiced opinion as to the facts charged against the accused, the Bishop shall test the exception taken, as the Judge does in similar cases in the secular courts, and his decision shall be final. Should any of the Presbyters summoned, give notice to the Bishop, before the day appointed for the trial, of unavoidable inability to be present, the Bishop shall select and summon other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy. Or, should any of the Presbyters summoned, through death, or sickness, or other unavoidable cause of absence, fail to be present on the day appointed for the trial, the members present may adjourn until the Bishop shall select, and summon, other Presbyters, excepting those challenged, to supply the vacancy, or, if the party accused shall waive the requirement of four judges, the trial may proceed before the members present.

SEC. 6. Upon the application of either party, before the organization of the Court, the Bishop may appoint a Commissary to take the testimony of any material witnesses who cannot be procured upon the trial. Sufficient notice having been given by the Commissary to both parties, they may attend and before him examine the witness, who may be sworn or affirmed by some lawfully authorized officer. The questions and answers reduced to writing and signed by the witness, shall be certified by the Commissary, under his seal, and transmitted to the Bishop, to be by him laid before the Court, and shall be received by them as evidence. If the prosecution, or the defense request it, the Bishop may show these depositions to either, or to both of the parties, prior to the trial.

SEC. 7. It is hereby declared and made the duty of all Presbyters of this Diocese, when selected and summoned to attend, and act in any trial of a clergyman, to obey the summons, and no excuse from the duty, but that of unavoidable necessity, shall be allowed.

SEC. 8. The Court shall be organized by the election of one of the members as President, and the appointment of a Clerk, who may or may not be a member, who shall take accurate notes of all the testimony, and make a careful record of all the proceedings, which notes and record shall be approved and authenticated by the Court. And they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. If the accused have been, at any previous time, adjudged guilty by an ecclesiastical court, or have had a sentence pronounced against him, for the same or similar offenses as those now charged, such fact shall be laid before the Court, as a part of the evidence touching the general moral character of the accused in relation to the charges now made, and in this bearing shall be taken into consideration by the Court. Evidence of general good character may be also offered by the accused on his part, and when so offered, it may be rebutted by evidence against the same, to be offered on the part of the prosecution. The Court shall have power to employ a proper legal officer for the administration of oaths and

affirmations, to receive testimony, oral and written, to summon and examine witnesses, to take order for the procuring of depositions, and to do whatever is necessary for the due investigation of the charges on the trial.

SEC. 9. The Standing Committee shall be the prosecutors in the case, and shall appoint one of their number a Judge Advocate to conduct the prosecution. They shall cite the accused to trial, giving him, at least sixty days before the trial, a copy of the presentment, and at least sixty days' notice of the time and place of trial, and he shall not be tried, unless he himself request it, on any other charges or specifications except those contained in the presentment. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the ground of his defense on each specification, or with a denial, general or specific, of the specifications.

SEC. 10. If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer in person, or by his authorized representative, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and the Bishop shall pronounce against him the sentence of suspension from the ministry, for contumacy and violation of this Canon, until he shall tender himself for trial on the presentment, but the said sentence shall be reversed by the Bishop, if, within three calendar months, the accused shall declare himself ready to appear and answer before the Court, and, whenever he shall so declare himself, the Court shall proceed in the trial, but if he shall not so declare and tender himself within six months, the Bishop may, at any time thereafter, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, pronounce against him, for his continued contumacy and violation of this Canon, the sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SEC. 11. If the accused shall appear, the Court shall proceed to trial on the presentment, and shall judge him guilty or not guilty, on the several charges and specifications, according to the evidence; and, if he be found guilty, the Court shall declare to the Bishop the Canonical sentence to which he ought, in their judgment, to be subjected.

SEC. 12. An attested copy of the presentment, of the answer of the accused, of the notes of the evidence, and of the final judgment of the Court—being of the entire record of the Court—shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall, within ten days, give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, with a copy, if the accused desire it, of the judgment of the Court on the several charges and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same charges. If the Court judge him *guilty* on one or more of the charges or specifica-

tions, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment, and order a revision or reconsideration of the evidence, and the rendering of a new judgment, in the points disapproved; or, if new and important evidence in the case be laid before him, he shall recommit the case to the Court and order a new trial, stating his reasons in either case for such a decision; or, if he approve the judgment, he shall, within thirty days, pronounce against the accused such Canonical sentence as the case may, in his judgment, require, whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, provided the penalty be not greater than that expressed in the judgment of the Court.

SEC. 13. If, in the absence of public rumor, or of a formal complaint, or if, at any time before or after a formal complaint, as provided for in the first section of this Canon, and before the selection and summoning of the Court or Board of four Presbyters, provided for in the fourth section of this Canon, a clergyman shall confess to the Bishop that he is guilty of any offense or offenses, for which, under the Canons of the General Convention, ministers may be tried and punished, such confession, in the form of a statement made in writing, by such clergyman, may be laid by the Bishop before the clerical members of the Standing Committee, who shall be the Court for such case, and who shall, thereupon, as soon as they conveniently can do so, communicate to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the party confessing, and as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced. If the Bishop approve the judgment, he shall, within ten days, pronounce sentence as prescribed and authorized in the latter clause of section 12.

If, after the summoning of the Court, and before or during the trial, the accused shall confess the substantial truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, or shall confess to any offenses for which ministers may be tried and punished, the Court may be immediately organized, and may dispense with hearing testimony after such confession, and shall proceed at once to state to the Bishop their opinion as to the guilt of the accused, and the sentence that ought to be pronounced, and the Bishop shall, within ten days, proceed to pronounce sentence as directed in the previous paragraph of this section.

SEC. 14. In case of the suspension of any clergyman, such suspension is understood to be from the exercise of the functions of the ministry, and shall be for a limited period, or until the offender gives to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of contrition and reformation, or it may include both these conditions. Suspension shall, *ipso facto*, sever the connection between the clergyman so suspended, and his parish, and, also, during the period of its continuance, vacate his seat in the Diocesan Convention.

SEC. 15. In all trials, the accused may employ as counsel a lay communicant of this church, in which case the prosecutors may exercise the same privilege.

SEC. 16. Every summons, notice or citation mentioned in this Canon, as a part of these proceedings, shall be deemed to be duly served by the delivery of a written notice or paper to the person to be summoned, notified, or cited, or by leaving it, or a certified copy of it, at his residence, or last known residence, by a person duly appointed, in writing, by the Bishop, Standing Committee, or Court.

CANON X.

Missionary Organization.

SEC. 1. At every Annual Convention there shall be elected a committee of four clergymen and four laymen, with the Bishop of the Diocese as President, to be called the Executive Missionary Committee.

SEC. 2. To this Executive Committee shall be referred, during the recess of the Convention, the administration of the general missionary work of the Diocese, subject to the regulations of the Convention, said Committee to report to the Annual Convention sitting as a Board of Missions on the evening of the first day of its session, of its proceedings, and of any Diocesan missionary operations of which it shall be regularly informed. This Committee shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall be *ex officio* a member of the committee.

SEC. 3. All district and other associations, which may at any time be formed for the furtherance of the missionary organization of the Diocese, are hereby recognized as part of the missionary organization of the Diocese; provided that such associations be approved by the Bishop, and give notice of their organization to the Executive Committee, and report to it their proceedings of the previous year, at least one month prior to the meeting of the Convention.

CANON XI.

Letters Commendatory.

The parochial clergy and missionaries of the Diocese of Kansas, shall furnish families and individuals who are attached to our Church—whether they be communicants or not—and who are about to remove into other parishes or mission stations in the Diocese, such letters of commendation and other information as will secure for them fraternal welcome and pastoral sympathy; and shall also, whenever practicable, send duplicate letters to the clergyman under whose charge the person or persons so removing, may expect to go.

CANON XII.

Missionary and Charitable Collections.

As activity in the missionary work is the bounden duty of all Christians, and as liberal giving according to our opportunity should ever accompany prayer to the Lord of the Harvest, and is an important test of Christian character, it is hereby earnestly recommended, that at least one collection in each month, making twelve collections in each year, should be made in every parish for extra parochial

LAWS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

EXTRACTS FROM CANON XIV OF TITLE I,

"Entitled General Regulations of Ministers and their Duties,"

SECTION 1. It is hereby required that on the election of a minister into any Church or parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

"We the Church Wardens, (*or, in case of an Assistant Minister*) we, the Rector and Church Wardens, do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop*) or, to the Rev. (*naming the President of the Standing Committee*) that (*naming the person*) has been duly chosen Rector (*or Assistant Minister, as the case may be*) of (*naming the parish or Church*)."

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify. (This certificate is to be recorded by the Secretary of the Convention in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.)

SEC. 2. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister or Assistant Minister of any parish or congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify the Rev. A. B., has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing."

SEC. 3. The alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion, shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

SEC. 4. At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Church Wardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

And, further, the Ministers and Church Wardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

SEC. 5. Every Minister of this Church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be

provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the use of such a register.

Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future minister in the same parish.

SEC. 7. A Minister of this Church removing within the jurisdiction of any Bishop, or other ecclesiastical authority, shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to said ecclesiastical authority a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The testimonial may be in the following words: "I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the ecclesiastical authority of —, is a Presbyter (or, Deacon) of — in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion or viciousness of life for three years last past."

All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dismissory. No such letter shall effect a Minister's canonical residence until, after having been presented, according to its address, it shall have been accepted and notification of such acceptance given to the authority whence proceeded. The residence of the Minister so transferred, shall date from the acceptance of this Letter of Transfer.

EXTRACTS FROM CANON XVII, OF TITLE I, OF THE DIGEST OF CANONS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION,

Entitled, "On the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church."

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church; or, if the parish be vacant, the Wardens shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his parish, also of the amount of the Communion Alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign, for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the

same. And these reports, or such part of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the Journals thereof.

SEC. 2. At every Annual Diocesan Convention the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese, names of Churches visited, number of persons confirmed, etc., and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the Journals.

SEC. 3. At every General Convention the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, Episcopal charges, addresses, etc., shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (A Committee of that House thereupon draws up a report on the state of the Church, sending it to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will publish a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.) And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a Pastoral charge, when any such letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, etc., to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, to prepare, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Dioceses, etc., for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, etc., in drafting their reports.

STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

AND RULES OF ORDER.

I. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

For the First Day of the Session.

A. M.

After Morning Prayer, Sermon, or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion, the President will take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:

I. The Secretary shall call over the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats, from a list presented by the Bishop, and shall receive the certificates of Lay Delegates, as the names of the Parishes are called.

II. The President will appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to receive, examine, and report upon the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates; after which a recess may be taken.

P. M.

I. The Committee on Qualifications shall report.

II. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

III. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

IV. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant.

V. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees, viz: a Committee on the admission of new Parishes, a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, a Committee on Diocesan Institutions,—to consist each of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee of Finance,—to consist each of three members, one Clergymen and two Laymen.

VI. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

VII. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he should prefer another time for its delivery; if so, it shall be in order at any time.

VIII. Reports and action upon the same, in the following order:

1. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

3. Report from the Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.
4. Report from the Committee on new Parishes, the admission of the Parishes, and the reception of their Lay Delegates.
5. Report from the Standing Committee.
6. Report from the Executive Missionary Committee.
7. Report from the Trustees of Diocesan Institutions.
8. Report from the Visitors and Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.
9. Report from the Committee on Unfinished Business.
10. Parochial Reports to be presented to the Bishop.

If any Report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed, and it shall be presented and be in order, at the first vacancy in the order of business, after it shall be prepared.

IX. Miscellaneous Business, such as proposed changes in the Constitutions and Canons, matters to be referred to special or other Committees, Resolutions, etc.

For the Second Day of the Session.

After Morning Prayer,

- I. Reading and approval of the minutes of the previous day.
- II. Report from the Committee on Qualifications, of members not present nor reported on the preceding day ; the names of such Clergymen and the Credentials of such Lay Delegates having been previously handed to the Secretary, and by him referred to said Committee.
- III. The calling of the roll of members.
- IV. The finishing of the business, if any, which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.
- V. The disposal of the unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.
- VI. Miscellaneous Business.
- VII. Elections at 11 o'clock, A. M., in the following order :
 1. Election of Treasurer.
 2. Election of Registrar.
 3. Election of Deputies to the General Convention.
 4. Election of Standing Committee.
 5. Election of Trustees (nominated) of the General Theological Seminary.
 6. Election of Executive Missionary Committee.
 7. Election of Examiners of Diocesan Institutions.
- VIII. Report of the Finance Committee.
- IX. Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, and action thereon.
- X. Report of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the Session, and action thereon.
- XI. Miscellaneous Business.

XII. The reading and approval of the minutes.

XIII. Singing, Prayers, Benediction by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the Senior Presbyterian present. Adjournment *sine die*.

For the Third or other Subsequent Day of the Session.

1. Morning Prayer, Reading, etc., of the Minutes, Reception of new Members, Calling of the Roll, and finishing of Business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the Second day.

2. The disposal of the Unfinished Business of the Convention, in the order above described.

II. RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the chair.

No member shall absent himself from the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or shall be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order; 1, to lay on the table; 2, to postpone to a day certain; 3, to commit; 4, to amend; 5, to divide; 6, to postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings, shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named; and a question on any of these proceedings shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE VII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE VIII. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, when no member is speaking, and if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. When votes or Election by orders are called for (by three Clerical members, or by the lay delegations from three Parishes,) each Clergyman and each Parish shall be entitled to one vote, and there must be a concurrence of the majority of both orders voting, and the yeas and nays, when taken, shall be entered on the minutes.

RULE X. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XI. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

RULE XII. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

RULE XIII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; no after amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be received under color of a substitute.

RULE XIV. The mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before decision or amendment, with the consent of the Convention, in which case it shall not be entered on the minutes.

RULE XV. A question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

RULE XVII. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the tellers, or committee appointed to count the ballots, withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay member shall be allowed to vote between such withdrawal and the announcement of the result of the election to the Convention, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application, in form, of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XVIII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

RULE XIX. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.



APPENDIX H.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

_____ County (town or city), _____ inhabitants.

_____ Church organized _____.

_____ Rector. Took charge _____.

Families; individuals not included in families; average congregation, _____.

Baptisms: Infants, —; adults, —; total, —.

Confirmed, —. Marriages, —. Burials, —.

Public Services: On Sundays, —; on holy days, —; on other days, —; total, —.

Communions, —.

Communicants: Last reported, —; admitted, —; added by removal, —; lost by removal, —; died, —; present number, male, —; female, —; total, —.

Sunday School: Teachers and officers, male, —; female, —; total, —; scholars, male, —; female, —; total, —.

OFFERINGS.

Expenditures, \$—; salary of Rector and other current expenses, \$—; communion alms, \$—; Sunday school purposes, \$—; total of parochial objects, \$—. Salary of the Bishop, \$—; Convention assessment, \$—; Diocesan missions, \$—; Christmas fund, \$—; total of Diocesan objects, \$—. Domestic missions, \$—; foreign missions, \$—; Indian missions, \$—; home missions to colored people, \$—; education of Theological students, \$—; total for general objects, \$—. Total of all expenditures and offerings, \$—.

The source of the above is indicated as follows:

Pew rents, \$—; regular subscriptions, \$—; the offertory, \$—; special subscriptions, \$—; Ladies' Society, \$—; etc., \$—; total, \$—.

CONDITION OF THE PARISH.

Value of Church property: Church lot, \$—; Church, \$—; Chapel, \$—; Rectory, \$—; total, \$—.

Parish debt: Funded, \$—; floating, \$—; total, \$—.

Salary pledged to Rector, \$—; arrears of salary unpaid, \$—.

Parish library, — volumes; Sunday School library, — volumes.

REMARKS.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together, under the name and style and title of the parish of _____ Church, (name of the city or town), county of _____, State of Kansas; and by so doing, do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese of Kansas.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

This is to certify that at the annual meeting of the parish (*or, in case the parish has not elected delegates, at a meeting of the Vestry*) of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____. A. B., who is a baptized person, and a member of the parish, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same at the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Kansas, to be held at _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord, 18____.

(Signed).

Clerk of the Parish or Vestry of _____.

Or, _____

Or, _____

Wardens.

Minister of _____ Church.

NOTICE.

The Twenty-Second Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Kansas will be holden in the Church of the Covenant, Junction City, on the last Wednesday in June, A. D 1881.



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